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NOAH SCHEER
[redacted]

FOIPA Request No.: 1577002-000
Subject: KENNY, ROBERT WALKER

Dear Mr. Scheer:

The FBI has completed its review of records subject to the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) that are responsive to your request. The enclosed documents were reviewed under the FOIPA, Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Below you will find check boxes under the appropriate statute headings which indicate the types of exemptions asserted to protect information which is exempt from disclosure. The appropriate exemptions are noted on the enclosed pages next to redacted information. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted to indicate where pages were withheld entirely and identify which exemptions were applied. The checked exemption boxes used to withhold information are further explained in the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions.

Section 552		Section 552a
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☐ (b)(2)	☐ (b)(7)(B)	☐ (j)(2)
☑ (b)(3)	☑ (b)(7)(C)	☐ (k)(1)
50 U.S.C. § 3024(i)(1)	☑ (b)(7)(D)	☐ (k)(2)
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	☐ (b)(7)(F)	☐ (k)(4)
☐ (b)(4)	☐ (b)(8)	☐ (k)(5)
☐ (b)(5)	☐ (b)(9)	☐ (k)(6)
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100 pages were reviewed and 100 pages are being released.

Please see the paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your narrowed request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

Based on the information you provided, we conducted a main and reference entity record search of the Central Records System (CRS) per our standard search policy. For more information about records searches and the standard search policy, see the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum General Information Section.

This is the **final release** of information responsive to your FOIPA request. This material is being provided to you at no charge.

Records that may be responsive to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request have been transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). If you wish to review these records, submit a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to NARA, Special Access and FOIA, 8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Please reference the file numbers 100-HQ-168670, 100-HQ-435849 Serials 43 and 44, 100-HQ-438390 Serials 3 and 14, 105-HQ-42040 Serial 59, 105-HQ-88988 Serial 196, 105-HQ-74313 Serial 51, 100-HQ-434917-A Serial HQWORKER, 100-HQ-239224 Serial 50, 100-HQ-421790 Serial 64, 100-HQ-437373 Serial 19, 100-HQ-447148 Serial 2, 100-HQ-423480 Serial 25, 100-HQ-26912 Serial 5462, 100-HQ-15252 Serial 118,100-HQ-436833 Serial 5, 100-HQ-233885 Serial 59, 100-HQ-273376 Serial 72, 100-HQ-348689 Serials 87, 131, and 137, 100-HQ-7254 Serial 2616, 100-HQ-434663 Serials 12 and 47, 100-HQ-107837 Serial 33, 100-HQ-386086 Serial 14, 100-HQ-7046 Serials 2888, 3014, 3015, 3116, and 3305, 161-HQ-3004 Serial 60, 100-HQ-430338 Serial 1, 100-HQ-25130 Serial 71, 100-HQ-347278 Serial 23, 100-HQ-259902 Serial 35, 100-HQ-76388 Serial 161, 100-HQ-427468 Serial 144, 100-HQ-429977-1 Serials TIMES HERALD and WA POST, 100-HQ-23165 Serial 174, 140-HQ-29260 Serial 17, 100-HQ-366906 Serial 88, 100-HQ-434282 Serial 15, 100A-BT-5854 Serials BTP.9 and BT22, 100-HQ-387548 Serials 237, 239, 241, 361 and 378, 100-HQ-439769 Serial 723, 100-HQ-375923 Serial 3, 100-HQ-356137 Serials 646, 846, and 1101, 61-HQ-10149 Serial 1489, 100-HQ-3-23 Serial 1639, 100-HQ-3-74 Serial A, 100-HQ-361924 Serial 31, 100-HQ-350180 Serial 34, 100-HQ-23687 Serial 280, 100-HQ-341566 Serial 10, 105-HQ-1913 Serial 144, 101-HQ-3315 Serial 127, 100-HQ-417115 Serial 1, 100-HQ-16-10 Serial 192, 105-HQ-12089 Serial 66, 100-HQ-392924 Serial 7, 100-HQ-344437 Serial 40, 65-HQ-31331 Serial 153, 140-HQ-5202 Serial 26, 100-HQ-26191, 100-HQ-362483 Serial A, 100-HQ-334436 Serial 182, 100-HQ-335467 Serial 86, 100-HQ-357934 Serial 304, 100-HQ-367425 Serial 304, 100-HQ-287200, 100-HQ-354204 Serial A, 100-HQ-354636 Serial 33, and 100-HQ-434745 Serial 17.

Records that may have been responsive to your request were destroyed. Since this material could not be reviewed, it is not known if it was responsive to your request. Record retention and disposal is carried out under supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Title 44, United States Code, Section 3301 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1228; Title 44, United States Code, Section 3310 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1229.10.

Please refer to the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for additional standard responses applicable to your request. **"Part 1"** of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. **"Part 2"** includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records about yourself or any third-party individuals. **"Part 3"** includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

Additional information about the FOIPA can be found at www.fbi.gov/foia. Should you have questions regarding your request, please feel free to contact foipaquestions@fbi.gov. Please reference the FOIPA Request number listed above in all correspondence concerning your request.

If you are not satisfied with the FBI's determination in response to this request, you may proceed under any or all of the following options:

- You may seek dispute resolution services through the FBI directly by emailing our FOIA Public Liaison at foipaquestions@fbi.gov. The subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

- You may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), who serves as the federal FOIA Ombudsman. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

- You may file an administrative appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal. **Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.8(a), your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days of the date of this response to your request.** If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please reference the FOIPA Request Number listed above in your correspondence so it may be easily identified. If possible, please provide a copy of your original request and this response letter with your appeal.

Note: Utilizing the FBI's dispute resolution services or requesting mediation through OGIS does not toll the ninety (90) day limit to file a timely appeal with OIP.

Sincerely,

Record/Information Dissemination Section
Information Management Division

Enclosures

FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum provides information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes standard responses that apply to requests for records about individuals to the extent your request seeks the listed information. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records, searches, and programs.

Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

(i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIPA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c)]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIPA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the www.fbi.gov/foia website.

(ii) **Intelligence Records**. To the extent your request seeks records of intelligence sources, methods, or activities, the FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and as applicable to requests for records about individuals, PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that any such records do or do not exist.

Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

(i) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.

(ii) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Witness Security Program Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could identify any participant in the Witness Security Program pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(3), 18 U.S.C. 3521, and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

(iii) **Requests for Confidential Informant Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of confidential informant records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F) [5 U.S.C.§ § 552 (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F)] and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C.§ 552a (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records would reveal confidential informant identities and information, expose law enforcement techniques, and endanger the life or physical safety of individuals. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

Part 3: General Information:

(i) **Record Searches and Standard Search Policy.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching systems, such as the Central Records System (CRS), or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. The CRS is an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled by the FBI per its law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization, comprising records of FBI Headquarters, FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide; Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records are included in the CRS. The standard search policy is a search for main entity records in the CRS. Unless specifically requested, a standard search does not include a search for reference entity records or administrative records of previous FOIPA requests.

a. *Main Entity Records* – created for individuals or non-individuals who are the subjects or the focus of an investigation
b. *Reference Entity Records*- created for individuals or non-individuals who are associated with a case but are not known subjects or the focus of an investigation

(ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.

(iii) **Foreseeable Harm Standard.** As amended in 2016, the Freedom of Information Act provides that a federal agency may withhold responsive records only if: (1) the agency reasonably foresees that disclosure would harm an interest protected by one of the nine exemptions that FOIA enumerates, or (2) disclosure is prohibited by law (5 United States Code, Section 552(a)(8)(A)(i)). The FBI considers this foreseeable harm standard in the processing of its requests.

(iv) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheet. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at www.edo.cjis.gov. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

(b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;

(b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;

(b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;

(b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;

(b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;

(b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;

(b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;

(b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or

(b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

(d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;

(j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;

(k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;

(k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;

(k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;

(k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;

(k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;

(k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;

(k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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TITLE OF CASE

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN (LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN)

REPORT MADE BY: FREDERICK G. TILLMAN — TYPED BY: ces

CHARACTER OF CASE: 39476

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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

SYNOPSIS:

The Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (LACPFB), local affiliate of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (ACPFB), has offices at 326 West Third Street, Los Angeles, California. At its 6th Annual Conference, held 4/7/56 at Los Angeles, ROSE CHERNIN was elected as Executive Director, JOSEPH KLEIN, Treasurer, and Rev. WALTER MITCHELL as Honorary Chairman. The Committee's activity has been primarily to seek amendment or repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act with particular emphasis upon the Anfuso Discharge Petition. The "Torchlight", official publication of the LACPFB, issued when expedient, press releases, and miscellaneous publications contained articles in condemnation of the Walter-McCarran Act and of its activities in individual deportation matters. ABNER GREEN, Executive Secretary of the ACPFB, spoke at the LACPFB annual conference.

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DETAILS

All informants designated by a T-symbol in this report have furnished reliable information in the past unless otherwise indicated.

When pertinent and available, Communist affiliations of persons and organizations mentioned herein are set out in the glossary appended hereto.

In the interest of brevity, the following abbreviations are being utilized:

Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born - LACPFB

American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born - ACPFB

Los Angeles County Communist Party - LACCP

Communist Party - CP

Additional abbreviations will be described where first used.

I. ORGANIZATION OF THE LACPFB

A. Location of Offices

[T-1 (7/16/56)]

Informant advised that the LACPFB continues to maintain offices at Room 316, F. P. Fay Building, 326 West Third Street, Los Angeles, California.

[T-2 (9/14/56)]

Informant furnished a letter of the LACPFB dated September 7, 1956. This had printed thereon the address of the organization as Room 318, 326 West Third Street, Los Angeles 13, California, telephone MAdison 5-2169.

[T-1 (7/16/56)]

Informant stated that the Eastside Branch of the LACPFB had offices at 3656 East Third Street, Los Angeles, but had not

been at that address for several months. The branch does not now have an office and holds its meetings at the City Terrace Cultural Center, 3875 City Terrace Drive, Los Angeles, or at the home of HELENE LEVY, 520½ South Breed Street, Los Angeles (X)

Informant further advised that the "Comite Defensor Del Pueblo Mexicano" is identical with the Eastside Branch of the LACPFB, sometimes called the Mexican Branch (X)

B. Officers and Sponsors

"Torchlight"
April-May, 1956
(Infra)

This issue of the official publication of the LACPFB discusses the proceedings at its 6th Annual Conference held April 7, 1956 and notes that the following persons were elected unanimously at the Conference:

Honorary Chairman	Rt. Rev. WALTER MITCHELL
Honorary Co-Chairmen	Judge STANLEY MOFFATT
	Mrs. DOROTHY N. MARSHALL
	HUGH MAC BETH, SR.
	Rev. STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN
	Rev. CHARLES H. DAVIS
	ROBERT W. KENNY

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KENNY is referred to as a "new addition".

The officers elected were named as follows:

Treasurer	JOSEPH KLEIN
Executive Director	ROSE CHERNIN
Secretary	JOSEFINA YANEZ

T-3 (6/29/56) (X)

Informant advised that JOSEPHINE YANEZ is on leave from her work at the LACPFB and is not certain what she will do when her leave is up.

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T-4 (9/28/56)

Informant advised that JOSEFINA YANEZ VAN LEUVAN, commonly known as JOSEPHINE YANEZ, is a part time employee of the LACPFB.

T-1 (7/16/56)

Informant advised that JOSEFINA YANEZ was employed at the downtown office of the LACPFB in July, 1956.

T-2 (9/14/56)

A letter furnished by informant reflects the above named as Honorary Chairman, Co-Chairmen, and officers. In addition, it lists the following as sponsors:

JACOB ASPIZ
JERRY C. ATHANS
MARTIN BORAD, M.D.
BETTY CHESLEY
Dr. P. PRICE COBBS
BEN CRUZ
RALPH CUARON
MORTON DIMONDSTEIN
SARAH DORNER
SANFORD GOLDNER
HOWARD GODDARD
WILBUR Z. GORDON, M.D.
IRWIN GOSTEN
MARVIN GRAYSON
MARIAN E. HERRICK
SAKAE ISHIHARA
GROVER JOHNSON
JOHN HOWARD LAWSON
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MAURICIO TERRAZAS
Judge EDWARD P. TOTTEN
RITO G. VALENCIA
FRANK W. WEYMOUTH
FRANK WILKINSON
CONE C. YOUNG

C. Staff Members

T-5 (5/28/56)

Informant advised that MAE PIERCE was doing general office work at the LACPFB offices and is on the payroll.

T-5 (6/20/56)

Informant advised that MAX HITTLEMAN, ARSEN YERGANIAN, and MARVA BOVINGDON are regular figures at that office.

T-4 (9/28/56)

Informant advised that MAE PIERCE is the Administrative Secretary of the LACPFB replacing JOSEFINA YANEZ.

T-6 (8/20/56)

Informant advised that the Advisory Board of the LACPFB commissioned HARRY CARLISLE to write a pamphlet "Citizens' Without Rights" and "The Story of the Los Angeles Committee's Independent History". He was to be paid at the rate of wages paid the staff.

"Summary Proceedings"
6th Annual Conference
(Infra)

This summary quotes CHERNIN naming staff members as: JOSEPHINE YANEZ, HARRY CARLISLE, MIRIAM HORENIAN.

D. Structure of the LACPFB

T-6 (4/27/56)

Informant advised that there was prepared at the LACPFB descriptive data of that committee. This sets out that the LACPFB "is a non-partisan, non-affiliated and non-membership organization serving the special needs of our foreign born population in Southern California, non-citizen and naturalized citizen and to inform and educate the native born citizen population of the needs and significance of our foreign born Americans".

T-4 (9/28/56)

Informant advised that the LACPFB has within it two groups or types of committees - Standing Committees, which are relatively permanent, and a second termed Area, Individual, or Nationality Committees. The latter are formed when expedient and for such purposes as to center appeals for funds. These are discarded when they have served their purpose or need and many are only paper or pro tem committees, with the same persons serving on or composing a number of such committees. The names of both types are often inconsistent and variants appear from time to time.

Among these committees are the following:

1. Administrative Board, aka Advisory Board, Executive Board

2. Standing Committees:

Ways and Means Committee
Deportees Committee
Financial Committee
Publicity Committee
Legislative Committee
Council of Nationalities or Nationality Panel Committee
Organizational Committee
Bail Fund Committee

3. Area, Individual and Nationality Committees:

Eastside Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, aka Eastside Branch, LACPFB; Mexican Branch, and Comite Defensor Del Pueblo Mexicano
Bay Cities Committee
Valley Committee to Aid Victims of the Walter-McCarran Act
Harbor Committee or Wilmington-San Pedro Committee
West Adams Committee
Orange County Committee to Protect the Foreign Born or Santa Ana Committee
Greek-American Committee
Noriega Local Committee
Needle Trades Committee for Protection of Foreign Born
Friends and Neighbors of David Hyun
Rose Chernin Defense Committee

1. Administrative Board

T-4 (9/28/56)

Informant advised that the Administrative Board is the governing body of the LACPFB and consists of the officers and chairmen of the committees within the LACPFB. It is also called the Advisory Board and the Executive Board.

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T-7 (3/13/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of a meeting of the Administrative Board held on March 8, 1956, signed by ROSE CHERNIN, in connection with the 6th Annual Conference (infra) which was directed to "Area Committees, Deportee Defense Groups, and Nationality Organizations, etc.".

T-7 (4/4/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of a meeting of the Administrative Board held March 22, 1956. The agenda included reports on "developments affecting our work", from Area and Sub-Committees, the launching of the fund drive, and reports from the conference chairman.

T-7 (5/2/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of a meeting held April 19, 1956 reflecting the agenda of the Administrative Board containing an appraisal of the 6th Annual Conference, and stating that consideration was being given the LACPFB repeal campaign, the Cinco de Mayo celebration, and the Festival of Nationalities.

T-7 (5/15/56)

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Minutes of the Administrative Board meeting of May 3, 1956 reflect LENNIE ~~LUDEL~~ was chairman pro-tem. The discussion concerned the 6th Annual Conference. ROSE CHERNIN stated that the LACPFB must aim for broad organizational participation; that "our legislators must be involved", and Mexican-American key figures involved.

These minutes also noted the LACPFB attorney in Washington requested payment of $5,365.25 and cannot continue the filing of other briefs until a substantial amount is sent.

T-7 (5/31/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of an Administrative Board meeting to be held June 8, 1956. The proposed agenda consisted of progress reports on supervisory parole, denaturalization, and the ROSE CHERNIN case as well as the planned festival.

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T-4 (6/25/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of a meeting of the Advisory Board held June 14, 1956 which was concerned with the Festival of Nationalities.

T-7 (6/18/56)

Informant advised that at the Advisory Board meeting on June 14, 1956, the coming conference in New York of all the Committees for Protection of Foreign Born was discussed and it was decided to form a committee to make a speech or report on what they want so it would be ready to send to New York in the event ROSE CHERNIN cannot go to the conference.

T-7 (7/16/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of the June 28, 1956 meeting of the Advisory Board. The agenda consisted of the festival report and ROSE CHERNIN's case.

T-7 (7/19/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of a meeting of what was termed the Advisory Board held July 12, 1956 in Los Angeles. The proposed agenda included reports on the festival, finance, and ways and means.

On the same date informant furnished a copy of the minutes of this meeting which stated DAVID HYUN was chairman. These reflected discussions were had of individual deportation cases. It pointed out that the LACPFB has lobbies at the California State Democratic and State and National Republican conventions with a definite participation by Mexican-Americans. Also mentioned was the sending of petitions to Representative ANFUSO together with notifications to all Southern California representatives that these signatures have been gathered and so sent.

T-8 (8/2/56)

Informant advised that ROSE CHERNIN presided over the July 19, 1956 meeting of the LACPFB staff and board. The sending of telegrams to majority leaders in the Congress in connection

with repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act was discussed. LENNIE LUDEL gave instructions on the preparation of letters and telephone calls to Congressmen and the manner in which delegates to Congressmen on vacation should make demands for repeal of the Walter-McCarran Law and make them promise "to do so if they want to be elected again".

T-4 (7/31/56)

Informant advised that at the Advisory Board meeting on July 26,1956, LENNIE LUDEL reported that all the signatures on the petition for the Anfuso Bill have been mailed to Representative ANFUSO in Washington.

T-4 (8/16/56)

Minutes of this meeting furnished by informant reflect STANLEY HENDRICKSON was chairman. There JOE KENEGSBERG asked to be relieved as Literature Director.

The Board concluded to prepare material on immigration to the United States to be presented to the Human Rights Commission of the United Nations at a future date.

2. Standing Committees

Ways and Means Committee

T-7 (3/13;4/4;5/2,15,24; 6/8;7/6,19/56)

Informant, on the dates indicated, furnished letters on the stationery of the LACPFB announcing meetings of the Ways and Means Committee held March 14 and 7; April 20 and 25; May 2, 9, 16, and 31; July 5 and 11, 1956. These were signed by FANIA BERNSTEIN as chairman and GITA HITTLEMAN as co-chairman.

Organizational Committee

T-4 (5/16/56)

Informant advised that this committee concerns itself with organizing and coordinating the activities of smaller groups and is a place where these groups are to bring their organizational

problems. The first meeting of the Organizational Committee was held on May 9, 1956 with HARRY CARLISLE as chairman. Area Committees were represented by HELEN LEVY, DOMINGO MARTINEZ for the Eastside Branch, and BOBBIE KARSON for the Bay Cities Committee. Other committees represented at this meeting were the Needle Trades Committee with FRED FIRESTONE as delegate; the Deportees Committee with ROSE SPECTOR as delegate; the Trade Union Committee with ART DYMYTRYK as delegate, and the Friends and Neighbors of David Hyun represented by HYUN.

T-6 (7/30/56)

Informant advised that this first meeting of the Organizational Committee was announced by letter dated May 7, 1956 which stated that the establishment of this committee resulted from the "the post-conference discussion of the activities of the Los Angeles Committee".

Legislative Committee

T-4 (5/7/56)

Informant advised that LENNIE LUDEL was chairman of the Legislative Committee. This committee has representatives from a number of area committees.

T-4 (5/1/56)

Informant advised that the Legislative Committee was, on April 26, 1956, pushing the LACPFB drive to secure 10,000 signatures on petitions to urge Congressmen to support the "Anfuso Bill" and the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act.

T-6 (7/30/56)

Informant advised that the letters written to Congressmen regarding petitions requesting their signatures on the Anfuso Discharge Petition, and dated July 18, 1956, were signed by LEONARD LUDEL as chairman, Legislative Committee, LACPFB.

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Nationality Panel Committee

T-7 (4/4/56)

Informant advised that at a combined meeting of the Ways and Means and Nationality Panel Committees of the LACPFB at the Hungarian Hall, Los Angeles, on March 28, 1956, it was reported that EDO MITA was chosen chairman of the Nationality Committee as the committee felt he was close to the work as he worked in the office and as the Japanese are working closer with the committee and should be encouraged.

Bail Fund Committee

T-8 (8/7/56)

Informant advised that at a meeting of the Administrative Board to be held on August 9, 1956, at Los Angeles, MORRIS GOODMAN was to make a report of the Bail Fund Committee.

Deportees Committee

"Summary Proceedings"
6th Annual Conference
(infra)

This summary reflects that ROSE SPECTOR is chairman of the Deportees Committee which was said to be concerned with 100 deportees.

Finance Committee

"Summary Proceedings"
6th Annual Conference
(infra)

This summary indicates JOE KLEIN, Treasurer of the LACPFB, heads the Finance Committee.

3. Area, Individual, and Nationality Committees

Valley Committee to Aid Victims of the Walter-McCarran Act (VCAVWMA)

T-9 (5/16/56)

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Informant advised that an invitation to a meeting of the VCAVWMA on April 3, 1956 was signed by DIANE PHILIPS as secretary. Informant further stated that the VCAVWMA is the San Fernando Valley Area Committee of the LACPFB.

Eastside Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, aka Eastside Branch, LACPFB; Mexican Branch; "Comite Defensor del Pueblo Mexicano"

T-4 (9/28/56)

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Informant advised that the Eastside Branch of the LACPFB is primarily concerned with Mexicans and persons of Mexican descent. HELENE LEVY is chairman and DAN LOPEZ is co-chairman and delegate to the LACPFB. MARIA CRUZ is secretary. It holds meetings at the City Terrace Cultural Center, 3875 City Terrace Drive, Los Angeles, or at the home of its chairman, 520½ South Breed Street, Los Angeles.

LACPFB "Journal for 1956" (infra)

This pamphlet, on page 24, discusses the "Eastside Committee of Los Angeles", and states that when fourteen residents of the east side were arrested and held for deportation, their friends got together to help them and ever since this group, known as the "Eastside Committee for Protection of Foreign Born", has been raising funds for legal defense to publish literature about the Walter-McCarran Law. The article thanks contributors for aiding it and "thereby helping the overall activities of the LACPFB".

On page 22 the pamphlet states that the "Eastside Branch" is "a committee comprising Mexican deportees and their friends".

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Rose Chernin Defense Committee

T-7 (5/21/56)

Informant advised that the Rose Chernin Defense Committee to defend her citizenship was organized on May 9, 1956 by the LACPFB, of which CHERNIN is Executive Director, for the purpose of seeking the dismissal of denaturalization proceedings pending against her. It is a pro-tem committee of the type termed by the LACPFB as deportee defense groups and is under the complete direction and control of the LACPFB.

Informant further advised on the above date that PETER CHAUNT heads this committee and reported on it at a meeting of the Administrative Board of the LACPFB.

T-6 (5/16/56; 6/11/56; 6/13/56)

Informant advised that announcements of the May 16, June 6, and June 13, 1956 meetings of the Rose Chernin Defense Committee named PAUL KUSNITZ as chairman pro-tem.

T-6 (6/20/56)

Informant furnished an announcement of the June 20, 1956 meeting which described the organization as the "Rose Chernin Citizenship Committee", with PAUL KUSNITZ as chairman pro-tem.

T-6 (5/18/56)

Informant advised that ROSE CHERNIN directed letters dated May 4, 1956 over her signatures stating that a "Committee to Defend Rose Chernin's Citizenship" is being organized with its first meeting on May 9, 1956.

T-4 (6/25/56, 7/23/56)

Informant advised that the LACPFB issued a first and second "Court Room News" which contained "impressions" of the trial of ROSE CHERNIN on June 12 and 13-14, 1956, before Judge HARRY C. WESTOVER, U. S. District Court at Los Angeles, California. The first of these indicated it was prepared by MARTIN HALL.

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T-10 (7/6/56)

Informant furnished the "3rd and Last Bulletin" relating to the proceedings of the trial of ROSE CHERNIN. This states that the first three days were reported by HALL, PETER CHAUNT, JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, and others. The summary, represented by this 3rd Bulletin, was by HARRY CARLISLE.

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and who, for the purpose of furnishing information to the FBI, was affiliated with the LACPFB during the period 1950-1955 and a member of the LACCP from April, 1952 to mid-1955 (5/21/56)

Informant advised that the LACPFB was, from its inception and until at least March, 1955, an adjunct of the ACPFB.

T-8 (3/21/56)

Informant advised that as of March, 1956 the LACPFB continued to be an adjunct of the ACPFB.

"Summary Proceedings"
6th Annual Conference
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ABNER GREEN participated in the LACPFB annual conference on April 7, 1956.

III CONNECTIONS OF THE LACPFB WITH THE LACCP

T-1 (4/3/56)

Informant advised that at a meeting of the Whittier Club, Eastern Division, LACCP, held on March 28, 1956 at Whittier, California, the 1956 Conference Ball, sponsored by the LACPFB, was discussed and tickets were on sale for $1.00 each.

T-1 (4/27/56) (5/11/56)

Informant advised that at a meeting of the Whittier Club, LACCP, held April 23, 1956 at Whittier, California, the Cinco de Mayo celebration of the LACPFB was discussed.

At a meeting of the same club on May 9, 1956, a report of this Cinco de Mayo celebration was given.

T-12, T-13 (4/25/56)

Informants stated that at a CP meeting at Huntington Beach, California held April 20, 1956, it was said that ROSE CHERNIN is to have a meeting at Wilmington, California, which will be attended by chairmen of all CP clubs in the Harbor Division and that it was expected 27 would attend.

T-14 (4/21/56)

Informant advised that at a Whittier-Norwalk Section, LACCP, meeting held April 17, 1956 at Norwalk, California, the LACPFB Cinco de Mayo celebration to be held May 6, 1956 was announced. The Norwalk Club was to get posters of BENITO JUAREZ given them in connection with this affair posted in the Carmenita area.

T-15, T-16 (4/25/56)

Informants advised that at a meeting of the Rose Hill Club, LACCP, held April 19, 1956 at Los Angeles, it was announced that the Cinco de Mayo celebration sponsored by the LACPFB would be held May 6, 1956 at the Croatian Hall, Los Angeles.

T-17 (5/23/56)

Informant advised that the May 17, 1956 meeting of the Sojourner Truth Club, LACCP, at Los Angeles, was closed with the members being urged to support the Festival of Nationalities scheduled for September 17, 1956 and sponsored by the LACPFB.

T-19 (6/21/56)

Informant advised that at a meeting of the CP Club in Santa Monica, California, on June 13, 1956, it was announced that the LACPFB was sponsoring an affair on June 17, 1956.

T-21 (5/25/56)

Informant advised that at the club meeting in the Moranda Smith Division, LACCP, held May 23, 1956, in Los Angeles, a report on the Festival of Nationalities was given with the request that all members attend.

T-22 (5/11/56)
T-23 (5/7/56)
T-19 (5/9/56)

Informants advised that announcements of the Cinco de Mayo celebration sponsored by the LACPFB were distributed at the May Day Rally held May 4, 1956, at Los Angeles, California.

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T-24 (5/10/56)

Informant advised that at the May Day Rally held May 4, 1956 at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, HENRY STEINBERG, in his speech, urged everyone to attend the celebration of the LACPFB to be held on May 6, 1956 at Los Angeles.

IV FINANCES

A. Financial Report

"Summary Proceedings"
6th Annual Conference
(Infra)

This summary, on page 11, sets out the treasurer's report as purportedly given at the 6th Annual Conference.

C.P. member

"Treasurer J. KLEIN reported that about $36,000 was raised in 1955, as against the $50,000 budget planned. We began 1956 with a deficit that had to be made-up through loans. Now we are in the midst of an intense fund drive to raise a minimum of $50,000 for the 1956 Budget. Last year we spent little more than $4,000 for educational work, whereas we should have spent many more thousands on radio, TV, and literature. Goal for fund drive as of the Conference was $7,500.00, with another $10,000 to be delivered by May 20th at a brunch, and the balance of $12,500 to be raised by the time of the June 17th Festival of Nationalities (making $30,000 for the first six months; the rest to be raised by the Dinner and other Fall activities.) All were urged to participate."

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T-11 (3/26/56, 6/28/56)

Informant advised that the LACPFB [redacted]

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T-8 (8/20/56)

Informant advised that at a meeting of the Ways and Means Committee held August 8, 1956 at Los Angeles, MAX HITTLEMAN said attorneys from Washington defending Los Angeles deportee cases demand immediately $1,000.00 of the $4,170.70 the LACPFB owes them plus $600.00 for pending cases.

He also reported the LACPFB was broke and would have to reduce salaries of the staff and if sufficient money was not collected soon the LACPFB office will have to be closed.

T-4 (8/16/56)

At a meeting of the Eastside Branch of the LACPFB on August 10, 1956, a discussion was had of the need for money. It was said that the committee as a whole is in "pretty sad shape" financially and $1,000.00 has to be raised within a few days. The reason for this lack of funds was said to be because there were too many cases in court and also because a lot of the deportees do not help the committee financially or otherwise and do not even attend meetings.

V PUBLICATIONS

A. "Torchlight"

The mast of the "Torchlight" continues to represent that it is "Issued by: L. A. Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, 326 West 3rd Street, Room 318, Los Angeles 13, California".

T-6 (5/2/56)

Informant furnished a "Table of Contents", issued by the LACPFB, which described the "Torchlight" as "The L. A. Committee's monthly bulletin including the most recent developments in the repeal campaign (locally as well as nationally), new legal developments in our cases, and other highlights of our activities".

Copies of the "Torchlight" were obtained from the sources indicated on the dates given:

March, 1956 Issue

Source	Date Obtained	
[redacted]	March 15, 1956	b7D
T-2	April 3, 1956	
T-7	March 13, 1956	
T-10	May 8, 1956	
T-4	April 2, 1956	

March-April, 1956 Issue

T-6	March 4, 1956	
T-2	April 3, 1956	
T-10	April 3, 1956	

April-May, 1956 Issue

[redacted] (supra)	May 8, 1956	b7D
T-25	May 7, 1956	
T-26	May 11, 1956	
T-27	May 9, 1956	
T-2	May 8, 1956	
T-7	May 15, 1956	
T-5	May 15, 1956	
T-10	June 20, 1956	
T-4	May 9, 1956	

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June, 1956 Issue

Source	Date Obtained
T-1	June 7, 1956
T-26	June 10, 1956
T-7	June 8, 1956
T-2	June 9, 1956
T-10	June 20, 1956
T-4	June 25, 1956
T-8	June 13, 1956

July, 1956 Issue

T-4	July 23, 1956
T-6	July 6, 1956
T-10	July 6, 1956
T-2	July 10, 1956

August, 1956 Issue

[redacted] (supra)	August 25, 1956
T-2	September 5, 1956
T-10	September 19, 1956
T-26	August 31, 1956

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The March, 1956 issue of the "Torchlight" discusses the appearance of RUSS NIXON at the April 7, 1956 conference where he was scheduled to give a "report from the nation's Capitol" and deal with the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act as it affects labor. NIXON was described as the U. E. Washington representative and a seasoned veteran in the legislative center of our nation.

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Individual denaturalization cases relating to Mr. and Mrs. DIAMOND, PETER CHAUNT, JAMES E. TOBACK, and ROSE CHERNIN were commented upon along with deportation cases relating to ESTHER MAVROS, DIAMOND KIMM, EDO MITA, and JOSE OCON.

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The March-April, 1956 issue of "Torchlight" was another one page bulletin. This mentioned immigration cases pending against JOSE GASTELUM, ETHEL SHAPIRO, DAVID HYUN, and ESTHER MAVROS. Its lead article, however, was on the LACPFB 6th Annual Conference. It pointed out that in addition to the local staff of the LACPFB, ABNER GREEN, RUSS NIXON, Washington representative of the United Electrical Workers; GEORGE LEE, Vice-President of Local 26, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union (ILWU), would appear before the Conference. It also said that kits would be distributed among the delegates and these would offer a comprehensive study of immigration and denaturalization in the United States.

The April-May, 1956 issue of the "Torchlight" consisted of 4 pages. In commenting upon the April 7, 1956 conference, it noted that 300 persons shaped a "program of action" for repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act. This resume relates that RUSS NIXON keynoted the proceedings on the "highnote of going on the defensive for repeal of the Walter-McCarran Law during this term of Congress, making all Southern California Congressmen face up to the urgency of signing the Anfuso Bill HR 501 Discharge Petition to bring the law to the 'floor' of the House for debate".

The conference was further reviewed, pointing out the persons previously mentioned herein were unanimously elected to their positions. It also noted that resolutions as follows were adopted:

"1) Condemnation of the Walter-McCarran Law for its racism and inhumanity and a demand for its repeal.

"2) Condemning Supervisory-Parole features of the Law because of their terrible indignities, and pledging support for a number of test cases now going through federal courts on constitutional grounds.

"3) A special resolution in defense of victims of the Law, especially non-citizens.

"4) A special resolution on the fight for the rights of Mexican-Americans against mass deportations, for due process of law, and pledging support for submission of data to be presented to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights along with other data on the cruelties of lifetime, exiling through deportation and denaturalization based on second-class citizenship.

"5) Protesting to TV stations and networks for broadcasting programs presenting a comtemptible informer, MARION MILLER, as a heroic housewife.

"6) Support for a wider public relations program, including TV and radio, press, and publications of all kinds.

"7) More analysis of the Law and Repeal measures in popular terms, and development of a speakers bureau.

"8) Utilization of the Metropolitan and local press, with human interest stories, letters to the editor, etc. in support of Repeal activities and defense of the victims of the Law.

"9) Continued and increased support to ROSE CHERNIN in her denaturalization case; and in the cases of other "second-class" citizens in their fight for equal rights with the native-born.

"10) Support in calling on the Attorney General to cancel deportation proceedings against DAVID HYUN, and for asking Senator WILLIAM ~~LANGER~~ to introduce a private bill on DAVID HYUN's behalf to cancel these proceedings.

"11) Pledging support to the American Committee for its defense of the rights of all foreign-born defense committees to function, in its battle against the "Subversive Activities Control Board" which recently conducted hearings to make the Committee and alleged "affiliates" register as "Subversive" and thus destroy them.

"In addition, a Legislative Program of Action was adopted and has since been discussed by the Legislative Committee for detailed activities and rounded out as follows:

"THE LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE is inaugurating a one-month legislative drive on an intensive scale. The heart of this campaign is a petition drive with a goal of 10,000 signatures. The drive will get under way officially on Cinco de Mayo at the Festival, Sunday May 6th at Croatian Hall. The drive will reach its first milestone, when outstanding petitions with signatures must be turned in on June 3. This will coincide with the Primaries of the '56 election campaign and enable us to publicize the results to influence the participation of the people and the programs of the candidates. The final goal of the drive will be the Festival of Nationalities where we will tabulate our work and use these petitions to advance the campaign to Repeal the Walter-McCarran Act.

"The petition is addressed to Southern California Congressmen urging their signing of the Discharge Petition on HR 501, the Anfuso Bill, in Congress. To facilitate the success of the Drive the following dramatic actions are planned. On Saturday, May 26th and June 2nd, a car equipped with Public Address facilities will tour through Los Angeles. Starting now it is proposed that tables be set up in the following communities, Bay Area, East Side, Valley, West Adams and Harbor. In addition the petitions these tables appropriately decorated will have literature such as the CARLISLE pamphlet and Shame of the Nation, tickets for and posters announcing the Festival of Nationalities on June 17th.

"In addition a campaign type Repeal button and stickers will be available during the month for these mobilizations. On May 26 and June 2nd the car with the P. A. system will stop at the place where these tables are located. Recordings of PAUL ROBESON will be played and an educational talk will be given, in Spanish where warranted, to encourage people to sign our petition and attend the Festival.

"The use of these demonstrative actions will be an assist to the work of the local committees. The success of this petition drive rests entirely on the initiative effort and check up we will expend starting now. Getting these petitions into the hands of friends, neighbor and shopmates, bringing them into organizations, using them when we attend meetings and socials are the essentials.

"Above all going from door to door educating the people on this insidious law and mobilizing Repeal and Revision sentiment into action through signatures is the key. If we start today and get a few signatures every day, we can do the job to get action on the Walter-McCarran Act in 1956.

"These are the crucial weeks; summer recess of Congressmen and their campaigning will shrink our opportunities. 10,000 signatures will have a real effect upon our Congressmen and will be a real reflection of the new spirit of Americans fighting to reinstate civil Liberties for all."

This issue of the"Torchlight" also announced that PAUL ROBESON would sing at the June 17, 1956 6th Annual Festival of Nationalities at Los Angeles.

This issue concluded with the usual pitch for funds pointing out that this $30,000.00 fund drive is to be completed by the June 17th Festival. As of the date of publication $7500.00 was said to have been collected with $10,000.00 more to be recorded on May 20, 1956. The additional funds were to be raised through coupon books, the Festival, and the sale of literature.

The June, 1956 issue of "Torchlight" has as its lead article why PAUL ROBESON did not appear at the Festival of Nationalities as previously announced. The cancellation of his appearance was said to be because of illness and the LACPFB asked that the Festival be made a "tribute to PAUL ROBESON".

The ROSE CHERNIN denaturalization trial was also featured and the readers of the bulletin were urged to come to the courtroom on June 11th for the purpose of packing it.

The July, 1956 issue of "Torchlight" related that 3500 enthusiasts attended the June 17th Festival of Nationalities and that the income from this affair equaled that of last year even though a smaller crowd than had been anticipated attended. Individual deportees MIRIAM SIMON, ETHEL SHAPIRO, MARIA-CRUZ, and KAMEO YAMASHIRO were mentioned, together with a statement that reports continued to reach the LACPFB indicating that naturalized citizens are being visited at their homes and harassed by Immigration Service officials. It said that

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"let the Immigration and Naturalization Service know that its employees have no business harassing American citizens. They are, of course, trying to widen the denaturalization attack on citizens of foreign birth".

The article stated that A. L. WIRIN denounced the CHERNIN denaturalization trial before a luncheon of leading Democrats on June 22, 1956 at Los Angeles.

In connection with the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act, this issue stated that "in a few weeks the 84th 'do-nothing' Congress will recess. Arrangements have been made to present all petition signatures collected so far for discharge of the Anfuso Bill to Southern California Congressmen in Washington, D. C. before the recess. The effect of this will be to make them conscious that during the summer recess they must face constituents who demand action against the Walter-McCarran Law".

The issue called for an all-out mobilization to gather these signatures and pointed out that the most effective results can be obtained by door-to-door solicitation of signatures and the use of tables on important corners to get signatures of passing pedestrians.

The August, 1956 issue of "Torchlight" consisted of one sheet and reported only the progress of individual deportation cases.

It also announced that the 6th annual testimonial dinner honoring attorneys defending victims of the Walter-McCarran Immigration Law would be November 10, 1956 at the Park Manor, Los Angeles, The tickets were to be $15.00 each.

B. Press Releases

Press releases are issued by the LACPFB at irregular intervals and to suit specific needs or situations. These usually are mimeographed on a printed form captioned "For Release--Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, 326 West 3rd Street, Los Angeles 13, California, ROSE CHERNIN, Executive Director", followed by the names of the Honorary Chairman Rt. Rev. WALTER MITCHELL and Co-Chairmen Judge STANLEY MOFFATT, Mrs. DOROTHY N. MARSHALL, Rev. CHARLES H. DAVIS, HUGH MC BETH, SR., Rev. STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN.

Press releases were obtained from the sources listed hereinafter on the dates given:

Source	Date of Release	Date Obtained	
[redacted] (Supra)	March 8, 1956	March 12, 1956 March 15, 1956	b7D
T-2	March 8, 1956	March 8, 1956	
[redacted] (Supra)	March 14, 1956	March 16, 1956	
T-7	March 14, 1956	April 4, 1956	
T-6	March 28, 1956	March 30, 1956	
T-6	March 30, 1956	April 3, 1956	
[redacted] (Supra)	March 30, 1956	April 6, 1956	b7D
[redacted] (Supra)	April 17, 1956	April 23, 1956	
T-6	April 17, 1956	April 17, 1956	
[redacted] (Supra)	April 19, 1956	April 23, 1956	
[redacted] (Supra)	April 19, 1956	April 23, 1956 April 24, 1956	
T-2	April 19, 1956	May 8, 1956	
T-6	April 25, 1956	May 2, 1956	
T-2	April 25, 1956	May 8, 1956	
[redacted] (Supra)	April 25, 1956	April 30, 1956	b7D
T-6	May 21, 1956	May 21, 1956	
T-2	May 21, 1956	May 22, 1956	
[redacted] (Supra)	May 22, 1956	May 24, 1956	

Source	Date of Release	Date Obtained
T-2	May 22, 1956	May 22, 1956
T-6	Undated	June 11, 1956
	Undated	June 13, 1956
[redacted] (Supra)	Undated	June 6, 1956
T-4	Undated	June 25, 1956
T-6	August 4, 1956	August 14, 1956
T-4	August 4, 1956	August 16, 1956
T-2	August 30, 1956	September 5, 1956
T-6	August 30, 1956	September 7, 1956
T-6	September 7, 1956	September 11, 1956
[redacted] (Supra)	September 7, 1956	September 11, 1956

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The press release of March 8, 1956 referred to the "6th Annual Conference to Repeal the Walter-McCarran Law in 1956 and Defend Its Victims". It stated that RUSS NIXON, legislative representative of the United Electrical and Radio Workers of America in Washington, D. C. for many years, will keynote this conference and present inside news about Capitol developments with regard to the possibility of repeal before the adjournment of the 84th Congress. It also said that ABNER GREEN is traveling especially to Los Angeles to speak before the Conference. It pointed out that the Conference celebration and dance was a means of financing the Conference and that the slogan of the Conference would be to "organize a wide mass campaign to achieve repeal of the Walter-McCarran Law in 1956".

The March 14, 1956 press release states that RITO VALENCIA, business agent of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union, Local 700, announced the acceptance of RUSS NIXON to speak before the Conference. He then urged all unions and shops to elect delegates and send observers to the Conference.

A biography of NIXON was given. It stated that:

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Russell NIXON was born in 1913 in St. Paul, Minn., attended grade schools in Kansas and high school and college in California. He received his PH.D. in Economics from Harvard University where he was a member of the Harvard Economics Faculty from 1936 to 1941.

Russell NIXON entered the Armed Services in April, 1944, went overseas in October 1944 after infantry basic training. In March, 1945, while still in the Army, NIXON was reassigned to the Finance Division of the U. S. Group Control Council, the top planning and administrative body of the U. S. Military Government. He served successively as Chief of Denazification Section for the Banks and other German financial institutions, Chief of Financial Intelligence Branch, and finally as Director of the Division of Investigation of Cartels and External Assets of the Office of Military Government.

"During this period, NIXON was awareded the Bronze Star, his citation stating: 'Due in large part to his services, poison-gas producing plants were rendered inoperative before harm could be done.' Under the direction of NIXON 25,000 Nazis were removed from the positions of influence in the German banks and financial units in the U. S. Zone.

"In 1945, NIXON was named by General EISENHOWER to be the U. S. Member of the German External Property Commission, the Quadripartite body established in Potsdam to vest and marshal Germany's external wealth. In January, 1946 NIXON resigned his position in Germany and returned to his position as Washington Representative of the UE.

"He has been Washington Representative of the United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America (UE) since November, 1941. He came to the UE from his position as National Representative of Labor's Non-Partisan League, at that time the CIO Legislative and Political Action Organization."

The March 30, 1956 press release referred to the television program, "This Is Your Life", stating that the viewers were treated to a disgraceful exhibition. "A common informer, MARION MILLER, was glorified as a typical American housewife. Considering the repugnance all decent people have for stool-pigeons, the portrayal was in poor taste. Also the selection of this season when Christian-Americans recall with loathing the infamous JUDAS ISCARIOT who betrayed for 30 pieces of silver.

"It is the feeling of the L. A. Committee for Protection of Foreign Born that this shameful exhibition was calculated to discredit its role in the Walter-McCarran Act Repeal movement - in fact, an attempt to undermine the movement itself. President EISENHOWER recently in reflecting the opposition of millions of Americans to this Law has made modification proposals. As a public agency, we wonder to what extent the sentiments of Americans in this regard has been portrayed on Channel 4?"

The press release concluded with the demand of the LACPFB the right to answer these false charges in the same manner in which they were presented.

The March 28, 1956 press release again referred to RUSS NIXON's appearance before the 6th Annual Conference and the announcement of the arrest of JOSE GASTELUM and ETHEL SHAPIRO by U. S. Immigration officers. It said that the number of "Walter-McCarran Law victims" now totals 132 in the Los Angeles area.

The April 17, 1956 press release was a pitch to promote the sale of "Citizens Without Rights" which it described as a 16 page pamphlet, the first national study of how the Walter-McCarran Act makes second-class citizens of eleven million foreign born Americans because of its racist and discriminatory content.

The April 19, 1956 press release announced the proposed appearance of PAUL ROBESON at the Festival of Nationalities held June 17, 1956. This states that PAUL ROBESON accepted their invitation and his concert was described as the principal feature of the festival.

The April 25, 1956 press release announced the 4th Annual "Cinco de Mayo" celebration and concluded with the statement that the LACPFB is a "organization embracing the descendants of all nations that made our nation great".

The May 21, 1956 press release was solely an announcement of the Festival of Nationalities and detailed its entertainment features. It was noted that the admission was $1.00.

An undated press release repeated what it termed PAUL ROBESON's message to the Festival of Nationalities. In brief this urged the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act.

The press release of May 22, 1956 repeated excerpts from an item in the New York Times of May 12, 1956 regarding what it termed the recruitment of Mexican household help by Lt.General JOHN SWING and Immigration authorities.

An undated press release again announced the Festival of Nationalities but talked only of its entertainment features.

A press release dated August 4, 1956 states that 250 petitions in letter form were presented to the attorney for the Immigration and Naturalization Service on behalf of DIAMOND KIMM. This petition urged the withholding of deportation as being contrary to American humanitarian traditions. The signatories included professional men from various parts of the United States and abroad.

A press release dated August 30, 1956 talked of the jubilation of the supporters of the LACPFB when they learned that Judge HARRY C. WESTOVER of the U. S. District Court at Los Angeles had "thrown out the Government's denaturalization suit against ROSE CHERNIN, Executive Director of the Committee, as being entirely without merit". It discussed the court's opinion and referred to the Government witnesses as stool-pigeons. It also announced that her victory would be celebrated on September 9, 1956 at the Park Manor.

A press release dated September 7, 1956 noted that DALTON TRUMBO, a screen writer, would be master of ceremonies at the 6th Annual Donors Dinner honoring 25 Los Angeles attorneys defending victims of the Walter-McCarran Law. This also contained a pitch for donations and urged the purchase of tickets to this dinner at $15.00 a piece.

C. Miscellaneous Publications

T-10 (5/8/56)

Informant furnished a "song sheet" for audience participation containing two songs about fighting the Walter-McCarran Act.

T-28 (4/16/56)

Informant advised that the "song sheet" was part of the "kit" furnished those attending the 6th Annual Conference on April 7, 1956.

T-7 (7/19/56)

Informant furnished one additional "song sheet" containing the words of eight songs, one in Romanized Yiddish, one in German, and one in a Slavic language.

T-2 (4/3/56), T-7 (4/4/56),
T-29 (4/26/56), T-10 (5/8/56)

Informants, on the dates indicated, furnished copies of a printed pamphlet captioned, "SOS", which was an appeal for funds and an announcement of the Festival of Nationalities then to be held on June 17, 1956 at Los Angeles, California. This outlined the LACPFB handling of deportation and denaturalization cases and their activities in seeking the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act. It pointed out that the legal panel of the LACPFB estimates that during 1956 the budget should include for legal defense at least $35,000.00. It was estimated that each denaturalization case would cost about $5,000.00 if appealed to a higher court. The estimate for deportation cases on appeal was $1,000.00, with a $500.00 initial cost.

The pamphlet called upon trade unions, cultural clubs, nationality groups, and all supporting groups to adopt and fulfil quotas for the first half of the 1956 fund drive which must total $30,000.00 by June 17th.

T-28 (4/16/56)

Informant advised that a copy of this handbill was furnished in the "kit" supplied to persons attending the 6th Annual Conference held on April 7, 1956.

T-6 (3/30/56)

Informant furnished a rough draft of a manuscript, "Citizens Without Rights", which subsequently appeared as a booklet of the same title issued by the LACPFB.

T-28 (4/16/56)

Informant furnished a copy of a booklet entitled, "Citizens Without Rights", which was included in the "kit" furnished persons attending the 6th Annual Conference on April 7, 1956 at Los Angeles.

The fly-leaf of this booklet states it is published by the LACPFB and that additional copies may be obtained by application to the committee's office, 326 West Third Street, Room 318, Los Angeles 13, California. The cost was noted as single copies 15¢, ten for $1.25, and $10.00 for one hundred.

The booklet purports to describe the Walter-McCarran Act which it claims "violates the basic American democratic precept that 'all men are created equal'". It refers to various events and documents in American history which it contends support the LACPFB position in connection with immigration and nationality and the views expressed in the booklet.

It discusses what it terms political denaturalizations, stating that these are approaching the one hundred mark. It cited individual denaturalization cases including that of ROSE CHERNIN. In connection with her it states that "since 1950, when the deportation terror mounted in Los Angeles as it did throughout the nation, ROSE CHERNIN has been a deeply frustrating person to the Immigration and Naturalization Service locally".

The pamphlet concluded with the statement that "every Congressman must receive continuous urgings to work for repeal or drastic revision of the Walter-McCarran Law--now". It stated that included in the protest should be a statement that there shall be no denaturalization of foreign born citizens for any reason after citizenship has been in effect ten years or more.

T-2 (4/3/56) and T-10 (5/8/56)

Informants furnished a handbill describing "Citizens Without Rights" as a 16 page pamphlet by HARRY CARLISLE on "The Denaturalization Features of the Walter-McCarran Act With Stories About National and Local Victims". This handbill offered this pamphlet for sale for 15¢ and the LACPFB "Journal for 1956" for a donation of $1.00.

T-30 (7/19/56)
T-4 (7/23/56)

Informants furnished a copy of "Citizens Without Rights" on the dates indicated.

T-6 (8/20/56)

Informant furnished a memorandum from the staff to the Advisory Board dated August 6, 1956. This related that one year ago the Advisory Board voted to commission HARRY CARLISLE to write the pamphlet, "Citizens Without Rights", and also to write the story of the Los Angeles Committee's independent history now approaching its 6th anniversary of the founding Conference. It said that the author's pay for writing the "story" will be at the same rate as the present wages paid to the staff from a fund specially set aside for this purpose. It also suggested that a special publications committee be set up under the chairmanship of MORRIS GOODMAN to obtain loans against the publication with which to subsidize the writing of it.

T-25 (4/23/56)
T-2 (5/8/56)
T-7 (5/18/56)

Informant furnished a handbill captioned, "MARION MILLER--Informer--This Is Your Life!". This referred to the appearance of Mrs. MILLER on the television program "This Is Your Life". It described her as a "stool-pigeon, an informer for the measly sum of $130.00 a month, a sum paid to you by the FBI to spy on and conspire against persons whose confidence and trust you gained by hypocrisy and lies...".

This handbill further vilifies Mrs. MILLER and concludes with the statement that it is "issued as a public service by the L. A. Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born".

VI GENERAL ACTIVITIES FURTHERING THE LACPFB PROGRAM

A. 6th Annual Conference to Repeal the Walter-McCarran Law and Defend its Victims

T-2 (4/3/56); T-4 (4/2/56);
T-7 (3/13/56); T-10 (5/8/56);
T-31 (4/6/56); T-26 (4/6/56);
[redacted] (Supra) (3/16/56) b7D

Informants, on the dates indicated, furnished a handbill. In this handbill, "A Call and Program, 6th Annual Southern California Conference to Repeal the Walter-McCarran Law and to Defend Its Victims", the LACPFB announced its Conference held April 7, 1956 at Los Angeles.

The handbill said that this "will be our 6th Annual Southern California Conference. Its main theme will be the repeal or amendment of the Walter-McCarran Law and the defense of the rights of the foreign born". It stated that "we call upon all community, religious, civic, labor, nationality, and other organizations and on individuals to send delegates or observers (without obligation or commitment) to confer with us to hear all aspects of the main questions discussed and to help formulate a mutually acceptable Program of Action in this year, most favorable for Repealing or amending the Walter-McCarran Law".

Also set out in this call was a brief program and a form for the transmission of the $1.00 registration fee and such donation as the recipient would care to send to the LACPFB.

Accompanying the call furnished by T-2 as above stated was a letter on the stationery of the LACPFB, dated March 9, 1956, which invited the recipient to participate in the Conference and to discuss and formulate an effective program to repeal or revise the Walter-McCarran Act.

In its concluding paragraph the letter urged that the recipient discuss at "your next meeting or Executive Board the enclosed call and the sending of delegates or observers that will guarantee a more successful conference and program". This was over the signature of RITO VALENCIA, business agent, M.M.S.W.

T-6 (3/17/56)

Informant furnished a letter dated March 13, 1956 on the stationery of the LACPFB addressed to "Dear Assemblyman" which invited these assemblymen to attend the 6th Annual Conference or if it was impossible for them to attend "because of pressures of the legislative session" to "please state your opinions on this issue". It was noted that this letter was on special stationery captioned, "6th Annual Conference to Repeal the Walter-McCarran Law and to Defend Its Victims". The letter was signed by LEONARD LUDEL as Legislative Director.

T-6 (3/24/56)

Informant furnished a mimeographed handbill directed to labor unions which featured the statement, "The Walter-McCarran Law Hurts Labor". This stated that the Walter-McCarran Act is

used as a strike-breaking weapon. It instructed the unions to write their Congressmen to place their local union on record for repeal of the Walter-McCarran Law, to use the opposition to that Act as part of the yardstick to determine if a political candidate is worthy of the support of the local union, and to attend the 6th Annual Conference.

[T-32 (4/13/56)]

Informant advised that the 6th Annual Conference sponsored by the LACPFB was held at Los Angeles, California on April 7, 1956 with some 310 persons present. The Conference was opened by Rev. WALTER MITCHELL who, after a short talk on changing times, introduced ABNER GREEN.

GREEN spoke on the "Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born", stating that it was doing a great job and that its major aim was the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act and secondly to protect the rights of the foreign born. He pointed out that in 1950 there were 50 deportation cases and today over 1300. GREEN discussed the case against LAUGHLIN CURRIE, an advisor to President ROOSEVELT, who had been denaturalized, and of TOKYO ROSE (IVA IKUKO TOGURI d'AQUINO). GREEN generalized all deportation cases and concluded by stating that 345 persons were deported from the United States last year.

MITCHELL then introduced GRACE PARTRIDGE who spoke briefly and then ROSE CHERNIN. CHERNIN talked of deportation cases mentioning individual cases and stating no one whom the LACPFB was defending was deported from Los Angeles in the past year.

Informant advised that after the lunch period, RUSS NIXON spoke stating that he was at the LACPFB convention three years ago. He discussed the Walter-McCarran Bill which was passed over the veto of President TRUMAN. He said that a person who is anti-negro is also anti-foreign born and anti-union. He presented a plan for action as follows:

"1) Petition Congress to release the Lehman Bill.

"2) Ask the question of candidates what they think of the Walter-McCarran Bill and what they plan to do about it.

"3) Also inject the same as above in the presidential race."

Informant related that after NIXON's remarks the Conference separated into panels as set out in the Conference program. Thereafter the Conference reconvened with ROBERT W. KENNY as chairman and the panels reported as follows:

RITO G. VALENCIA, for the Trade Union Panel, said that the time of the panel was spent in self-criticism as to why the labor unions had not moved on the Walter-McCarran Bill question. The Trade Union Panel elected VALENCIA as chairman of the Continuations Committee and planned for each deportee to set up a committee to help him within his union.

The Nationalities Panel was reported by JOHN UHRIN who stated that the time was too short to discuss real issues but that the June group had pledged to raise $10,000.00 for the LACPFB in 1957.

MARIA CRUZ reported for the Mexican Group Panel. She said that the Committee would fight to stop road blockades set up around San Diego as this type of search is against the Constitution.

Mrs. DOROTHY MARSHALL, as reporter for the Community and Legislative Action Panel, stated that all means of educating the public on the Walter-McCarran Law should be used.

MAX HITTLEMAN made the financial report and FANIA BERNSTEIN the credentials report. This was to the effect that 141 delegates, 139 observers, and 30 miscellaneous, or a total of 310 people, attended the Conference.

Mr. KENNY moved that these reports be accepted and they were. A motion was also made from the floor at this time to send a letter to television channel 4 for having Mrs. PAUL MILLER on its program "This Is Your Life", and to channel 11 which was then going to have Mrs. MILLER on their program, "Assignment America". This motion was not accepted by KENNY who stated that everyone had a right to free speech.

KENNY then introduced ABNER GREEN for summary remarks. GREEN said that in all the time he knew Mr. KENNY he had never disagreed with him but this time he must as although Mrs. MILLER did have the right to free speech, he had the right to protest.

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Mr. GREEN said that Mrs. MILLER's neighbors should do a better job on Mr. and Mrs. MILLER when commenting on her harassment by neighbors and expressed the opinion that Mrs. MILLER was on the verge of a breakdown and that was why the Government was getting her to appear on television programs.

GREEN closed his remarks by stating that the annual convention for the National Committee for Protection of Foreign Born would be held in Los Angeles; a date was not stated.

ROSE CHERNIN closed the Conference.

Informant advised that LACPFB literature was distributed at the conference and also advised that CHERNIN announced all officers would remain the same for the coming year except for ROBERT KENNY who was made Honorary Co-Chairman.

T-33 (4/17/56)

Informant advised that he attended the annual LACPFB Conference held April 7, 1956 at the Danish Hall, 1359 West 24th Street, Los Angeles, California. He advised that GEORGE LEE, a Negro from the ILWU, introduced WALTER MITCHELL who gave a brief speech and then introduced ABNER GREEN. GREEN was said to have spoken about deportation cases throughout the United States. He was followed by ROSE CHERNIN who gave a lengthy report on deportation cases handled by the LACPFB. She was indignant about Senator MC CARTHY and MARION MILLER, describing her in vitriolic words. She proposed protest be sent to the television channel on which Mrs. MILLER appeared and to the sponsors of the program.

In the afternoon session, informant advised that HARRY CARLISLE introduced Rev. STEPHEN FRITCHMAN who made a brief appearance and excused himself from the Conference because of pressing ministerial duties. He voiced his resentment of MARION MILLER's appearance on television and introduced W. E. B. DU BOIS who spoke briefly on the treatment of Indians, Negroes, and the foreign born.

JOSEPHINE YANEZ, the next speaker, confined her talk mainly to the Mexican deportation situation and said that the Immigration Department lacked mercy.

HARRY CARLISLE was chairman of the afternoon session. He expressed his resentment over the fact that although the authorities know many of the deportation cases are actually non-deportal political cases, the Government keeps up its prosecution in order to drain the victims' emotions with their torments and compulsory confinement.

Informant advised that the next speaker was PETER CHAUNT who said that the Government cannot refuse the people citizenship no matter how the Government abuses the people.

RUSS NIXON, who was described in the literature as the legislative representative for the U.E.R.W.A., said that no foreign born person ever walks alone because trouble is collective. He said it is now three years since the foreign born have swung from the defensive to the offensive.

[T-34 (4/16/56)]

[Informant advised that he attended] the Conference of the LACPFB held in Los Angeles on April 7, 1956. He advised that Rev. MITCHELL, ROSE SPECTOR, ABNER GREEN, ROSE CHERNIN, Rev. STEPHEN FRITCHMAN, HARRY CARLISLE, PETER CHAUNT, and RUSSELL NIXON appeared as speakers before the assembled group.

GREEN, Executive Secretary of the ACPFB, spoke on the issues confronting the LACPFB. He urged the group to work and organize to "1) rectify remnants of the period of hysteria; 2) obtain repeal or revision of the Walter-McCarran Law; 3) insure the rights of foreign born under the Constitution; 4) make the Committee for Protection of Foreign Born a peoples movement".

GREEN said there were 14,717 subversive cases, according to Immigration and Naturalization Service figures. He said the ACPFB feels present deportation laws are illegal and talked of the treatment of deportees who have no country to go to. He cited the TOKYO ROSE case as an example of the threat to all citizens, including naturalized citizens. In concluding his speech, GREEN called strongly for the defense of the ACPFB and said that the 24th Conference of the ACPFB would be held in Los Angeles.

Mrs. CHERNIN's remarks concerned MARION MILLER's appearance on television and called for protests against all television programs which are in opposition to the LACPFB, its aims and purposes. She also called for a mass campaign to suspend deportations.

RUSSELL NIXON was introduced as the Washington, D. C. representative of the U.E.R.M.W.A. He spoke against the Walter-McCarran Act and said the labor union movement is more united and labor unions must join the struggle to repeal the Walter-McCarran Act. He also urged pressure be brought upon Southern California Congressmen to sign the Anfuso Discharge Petition and bring his bill to the floor of Congress before the summer adjournment.

Informant advised no change was made in the organization's officers other than ROBERT KENNY being added to the list of Honorary Chairmen.

T-10 (4/13/56)

Informant advised that he attended the 6th Annual Conference to repeal the Walter-McCarran Act held at the Danish Hall, 1359 West 24th Street, Los Angeles, on April 7, 1956. Informant had nothing to add concerning the proceedings stating briefly that ABNER GREEN's speech concerned McCarthyites.

T-28 (5/1/56)

Informant advised that he attended the annual Conference of the LACPFB held April 7,1956 at the Danish Auditorium in Los Angeles but was present only during the afternoon session.

ROBERT KENNY was chairman of this session and RUSS NIXON spoke in the main auditorium immediately after the delegates assembled. Thereafter the delegates adjourned to the various panels to which they were assigned.

Informant advised he attended the Nationalities Panel. After brief panel discussions the delegates adjourned to the main auditorium to hear the reports of the panels and the Conference summary. Informant advised that while in attendance at the above conference he was furnished a "kit" or envelope which contained various items or publications of the LACPFB.

T-4 (4/9/56)

Informant advised that he attended the LACPFB Conference held April 7, 1956 at 1359 West 24th Street, Los Angeles, California.

Informant advised that in the morning session ROSE CHERNIN spoke of the Committee with regard to the deportation and denaturalization cases being handled by the LACPFB in Southern California.

ABNER GREEN then spoke on the work of the Committees throughout the country in regard to these cases and of the necessity to repeal the Walter-McCarran Act.

In the afternoon session Rev. STEPHEN FRITCHMAN spoke about the injustice of the Walter-McCarran Act and delivered a bitter attack against PAUL and MARION MILLER, the television station, and the sponsors of the program upon which they appeared. FRITCHMAN expressed the opinion that it was a despicable thing to glorify "informants and stool-pigeons" and he hoped everyone in the hall had written to the television station in protest of that type of program.

Informant advised that a Dr. DU BOIS spoke about the fight of Negro people for freedom and said that the fight of the Negroes and foreign born was one and the same.

Informant stated that RUSS NIXON spoke on the Walter-McCarran Law and its effect on organized labor. He talked of the connection between trade unions, the Negro people, and the foreign born and their common front against the Walter-McCarran Act. NIXON was reported as stating that the Walter-McCarran Law was put into effect to harass the labor leaders and that the law would eliminate certain organized labor leaders by denaturalization and deportation. He then read an article which purported to show how the labor movement in the United States was led by foreign born persons mentioning such union leaders as PHILIP MURRAY, DAVE DUBINSKY, and HARRY BRIDGES.

Informant advised that other persons including JOSEPHINE YANEZ and PETER CHAUNT spoke briefly.

T-7 (4/20/56)

Informant advised that he attended the 6th Annual Conference of the LACPFB held April 7, 1956 at Los Angeles, being present at part of the afternoon session. Informant advised that the function was to help obtain the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act.

Informant attended the Nationalities Panel. Various persons reported the activities of the nationality groups and of the Anfuso Bill but no action was taken and nothing definite was reached.

Informant advised that the persons present were furnished a "kit" containing various items such as a souvenir journal, the Conference program, and publications of the LACPFB.

T-35 (5/3/56)

Informant advised of attendance at the LACPFB Conference on April 7, 1956 at Los Angeles.

Informant heard RUSSELL NIXON's speech which was to the effect that wherever white supremacy exists there is found a hatred of the foreign born. He said if things are allowed to continue as they are the working standards of the Negro in the South will continue to decline. He stated that it was his belief that every candidate for office in this country be made to come out with a statement concerning the Walter-McCarran Act.

ESTHER SHANDLER reported for the Lawyers Panel stating that it is the role of the Government to harass people and obtain as many deportations as possible.

MAX HITTLEMAN gave the financial statement of the LACPFB indicating that its income was $36,303.44, and expenses of $40,577.42. He stated the expected budget for the ensuing year was $50,000.00 of which $30,000.00 is expected to be raised by June, 1956.

Informant advised that ROSE CHERNIN spoke on MARION MILLER and stated she planned to prepare a leaflet to be distributed in the neighborhood of her residence.

T-28 (4/16/56)

Informant advised that persons attending the Conference were furnished a "kit". This kit, supplied on the above date, contained the following material:

Pamphlets

1. "Journal for 1956"
2. "Citizens without Rights"
3. "Exile, the Story of David Hyun"
4. "Shame of a Nation"

Handbills

1. "How Would You Feel?"
2. "SOS"
3. ACPFB Bulletin, "Your Help is Needed..."
4. "Know Your Rights"
5. "Song Sheet"
6. Order blank for "Citizens without Rights"
7. "Legislative Action Proposals"
8. List of sponsors
9. Conference program

The Conference set out that the following persons would speak: Rt. Rev. WALTER MITCHELL, Honorary Chairman, LACPFB; ABNER GREEN, Executive Secretary, ACPFB; ROSE CHERNIN, Executive Director, LACPFB; JOSEPHINE YANEZ, Rev. STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN, PETER CHAUNT, and RUSS NIXON. The program indicated that panel sessions would be held on trade unions, nationalities, the Mexican question, and community and legislative action. ROBERT W. KENNY was to be chairman of the final business session with summary remarks being made by ABNER GREEN and closing remarks by ROSE CHERNIN.

T-7 (4/8/56)
T-4 (4/9/56)
[redacted] (Supra) b7D
(4/23/56)

Informants, on the dates indicated, furnished "kits" similar to that described and which were given to persons attending the conference. [redacted] advised that he received his kit through the mail.

The "Journal For 1956" set out that it was "published for the 6th Annual Conference to Repeal the Walter-Mc Carran Law and Defend its Victims." It names HARRY CARLISLE as Editor and EDO MITA as Art Editor. The inside cover describes the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (LACPFB) as "an unaffiliated non-partisan body devoted to the preservation of the democratic rights of all foreign-born residents of the United States. It is not a membership organization. Outside of its officers, staff members, and active sub-committee workers, it relies upon other organizations and groups, as well as individuals, for sponsorship, financial support, and active aid in carrying out all or part of its program." This brochure sets out the committee's program as:

"To conduct public and legal activity against discrimination, harassment, and persecution directed against the foreign-born because of color, race, national origin, or political and religious beliefs; in order to perpetuate for the 14 million foreign-born residents of the United States the basic democratic concepts of equality and freedom.

"To prevent the degrading of foreign-born citizens to second-class, inferior status.

"To preserve the families of the foreign-born by preventing the callous lifelong exiling of victims of deportation from their American-born relatives.

"To bring a halt to the lawless mass deportation policy directed against Mexican workers induced to cross the border to work in our fields.

"To widen the understanding that the native-born and foreign-born have mutual interests in defending our constitutional rights, which must be preserved for all or be weakened and endangered for all.

"To arouse widespread and unceasing public protest against the application of the hundreds of unfair and inhumane provisions of the Walter-Mc Carran Law (Immigration & Nationality Act of 1952); which reduces citizens of foreign birth to second-class status, applies racist doctrines to our immigration policy, widens grounds for lifetime exiling of persons from their American families through deportation, regardless of their length of residence here, establishes un-American practices of finger-printing and registration for non-citizens over 14 years of age, and abolishes the constitutional safeguards for freedom of the individual hitherto applied to all residents of the United States.

"To work without halt to effect Repeal of the Walter-Mc Carran Law and secure enactment of a new, humane, democratic immigration code.

"The COMMITTEE carries out this program by issuing printed and mimeographed information; by organizing meetings, conferences, concerts, festivals and other affairs; and through cooperations with trade unions, community, religious and other organizations on specific issues relating to defense of foreign-born rights.

"The COMMITTEE offers its services and those of its legal panel attorneys to persons, families, and organizations facing problems of discrimination, deportation, revocation of citizenship, naturalization, and harassment.

The journal proper contained an introduction stating that the journal would relate briefly some of the many stories illustrating the "torment and loss of basic liberties which the Walter-Mc Carran Immigration and Nationality Law of 1952 has inflicted on fourteen million foreign-born citizens and non-citizen residents." It states that the "committee is very much concerned with achieving abolition of the national origins system" and stresses the evils of the Walter-Mc Carran Act. It stated that the committee, through its legal panel, is defending nearly one hundred active cases either in administrative hearings or in the Federal courts. These cases are detailed throughout the journal.

This introduction points out that this is a presidential election year and states that there is little doubt that civil liberties and rights will be important election issues.

The introduction concludes with the statement that the basic aim of the committee is the replacement of the present law with a new democratic and humane immigration and nationality law.

Following the introduction is an article captioned "Why the Walter-Mc Carran Law Must Be Repealed" by HARRY CARLISLE. This is an analysis of the Walter-Mc Carran Act and prosecutions undertaken for violation of this act.

"Denial of Due Process to Mexican-Americans" by ART DMYTRYK is the next article. This states that the Walter-Mc Carran Law suppresses the rights of Mexican Americans and states that the Government has inaugurated an unprecedented campaign of terror against the Mexican-American population.

The article concludes with a demand for revision of the Walter-Mc Carran Act in order to abolish discrimination suffered by Mexican American citizens who are subjected to summary mass deportation under the existing immigration law.

An article by ART DMYTRYK "Supervisory Parole and Other Features of the Law" reviews the general purpose of the law and contends that supervisory parole denies due process as guaranteed in the Fifth and Sixth Amendments.

An article by PETER CHAUNT, "The Resurrection of Citizenship" is also against the Walter-Mc Carran Law terming it as the most shameful blot in the nation's legislative history. Under the general caption of second-class citizens, stories of these individual persons are given:

DAVID and FREDA DIAMOND Calif
ROSE CHERNAN
SARAH WALKER
ABE WALKER
JAMES E. TOBAK.

LENNIE LUDEL, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the LACPFB has over his name, an article "For A Program of Action: Repeal the Law.- Now, in 1956!" This indicates that the Los Angeles Committee had a lobby at the Fresno Convention of the California Democratic Council and conferences with assembly leaders and it also states that the Committee had memorialized Congress to guarantee the civil rights of the Negro people in the South. This article states that in addition to eliminating the "racist and discriminatory immigration policies in the present law, the Los Angeles Committee is urging the following essential minimum changes:

"1. Constitutional guarantee of due process of law must be reinstated. In California, the brunt of the denial of Civil Rights under the Law is felt in the Mexican-American community.

"2. Establish a statute of limitations prohibiting denaturalization or deportation for any reason after five years residence in the United States.

"3. Transfer the Administration of Immigration and Naturalization affairs to a Commission which operates separate and apart from the Department of Justice, which under the Law now has jurisdiction.

The article states that to implement this program, these are immediate requirements:

"1. Pressure must be put on all Southern California Congressmen to sign the Anfuso discharge petition and bring his Bill to the floor before the Summer adjournment of Congress.

"2. All State Assemblymen must be visited during the Recess of the Legislature, scheduled for early April, to urge a Memorialization of Congress on Repeal or Revision of the Law.

"3. Letters and resolutions should be sent to Eisenhower demanding a more genuine and comprehensive revision of the Law.

"4. Letters should be sent and public demands must be made of our U. S. Senators Knowland and Kuchel for the removal of the racist Eastland from the Chairmanship of the Judiciary Committee.

"5. Congressmen should be visited by delegations including deportees, and requested to submit Individual Bills around such cases."

The journal also contains articles on "The Jewish People & The Walter-Mc Carran Law", "The Law & The Mexican-Americans" "Koreans in the United States", "Bill Esterman's Courage" and "David Hyun's Case."

T-4 T-34

Informants furnished on May 4 and 9, 1956, a "Summary Proceedings of the 6th Annual Conference" held April 7, 1956, at Los Angeles, prepared by the LACPFB. The index indicates that talks were made by DAVID HYUN, GEORGE LEE, Rev. WALTER MITCHELL, ROSE SPECTOR, GRACE PARTRIDGE, ABNER GREEN, ROSE CHERNAN, Rev. STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN, Dr. W. E. B. DU BOIS, JOSEPHINE CHANDLER, JOSEPH KLEIN, FANIA BERNSTEIN, HARRY CARLISLE, RITA VALENCIA, JOHN UHRIN, MARIA CRUZ, DOROTHY MARSHALL, and PETER CHAUNT.

GEORGE LEE was described therein as a "leading trade unionist of 20 years experience in the labor movement; formerly president of Local 60 ILWU, and since its merger with Local 26, Vice-President of the merged local. He is a staunch friend of all who struggle for equal rights for all people." His remarks and those of Rev. MITCHELL were of little interest.

GRACE PARTRIDGE was described as Executive Secretary of the Northern California Committee for Protection of Foreign Born. Her appearance was followed by ABNER GREEN, Executive Secretary of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (ACPFB) who made the principal speech of the opening session. He reviewed the hearings regarding the ACPFB conducted by the Subversive Activities Control Board (SACB) which were concluded on March 28, 1956, at Washington, D. C. He said that the major goal and major responsibility "is the repeal or basic revision of the Walter-Mc Carran law" which must be replaced with another law "but was have the overwhelming responsibility of guaranteeing, until such time as this law is changed or repealed, that the rights of the foreign born and the victims of this law are adequately protected."

GREEN followed this statement with a review of statistics of denaturalization in similar cases and the discussion of a number of individual cases. GREEN stated that the SACB has absolutely no ground to find against the American Committee stating that "neither the Justice Department nor.... the SACB are in any way concerned with the truth about the American Committee and their sole perspective is to make it impossible to defend the foreign born."

GREEN concluded his speech with stating that the 24th Annual Conference of the American Committee will be held in Los Angeles next December.

ROSE CHERNIN, Executive Director of the LACPFB, read her "Report for 1955-1956." This reviewed individual cases handled by the LACPFB and their plans for a "nation-wide campaign against second class citizenship." She pointed out that"the center of the present repeal movement is the petition to discharge the House 'Anfuso' Bill, which in all important respects parallels the 'Lehman' Senate Bill to Repeal the Walter-Mc Carran Law. Every congressman must be placed on public record as signatory to the 'Anfuso' discharge petition."

The speeches made by FRITCHMAN and DU BOIS were brief and general on the subject of discrimination.

JOSEPHINE YANEZ followed with a discussion of deportations, primarily reviewing past decisions. She stated that "We welcome the U. N. Commission on Human Rights decision to establish a committee to examine the rights of all persons to be free from arbitrary arrest, detention, and exile."

The keynote speech was given by RUSS NIXON. He gave a speech in opposition of the Walter-Mc Carran Act and asked for its repeal and revision of the "racist quota system." He stated that "we must reach every Congressman and say to them ..... sign the discharge petition on the Anfuso Bill before the adjournment for election."

The final session was of members of the various committees, the treasurer, and the panels which met within the conference itself. Of interest in this conference was its summary of resolutions which are as follows:

"SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS

"1. On Repeal of the Walter-Mc Carran Law, setting forth its racist and discriminatory character and appealing for vigorous action to bring Repeal bills out of Judiciary Committee for floor debate.

"2. Condemnation of the attack on the rights of non-citizens, through deportations, denaturalization, and general harrassment, with specific attention to outstanding and active cases; and support for the various national and local test cases in the courts including the socio-legal 'Brandeis-type brief' in the Rowoldt case, now before the Supreme Court.

"3. Condemnation of the Law's supervisory-parole provisions, with specific mention of the indignities they impose on victims for life.

"4. Condemnation of the special discrimination and persecution directed at Mexican-Americans, and the mass deportation of Mexican nationals; and resolving to support the plan to present a special documented report of all features of this question, to the U. N. Commission on Human Rights.

"5. Protesting the glorification on TV of stool-pigeon Marion Miller (who stole Committee records for the FBI: see enclosed leaflet).

"6. To increase public relations by various means, including delegation to U.N., use of TV and radio, exposing the inhumanity of the Law.

"7. To set up an information and speakers bureau to spread more education about the Law and its application.

"8. To utilize the 'letters to the editor' columns of the press for similar ends, to stimulate the Repeal campaign.

"9. Vigorous support to Rose Chernin in fighting denaturalization proceedings in federal court on June 11, and to give support to other cases, and to circulate as widely as possible copies of the pamphlet 'Citizens Without Rights' and fact sheets about victims.

"10. To call upon the Attorney General to cancell deportation proceedings against David Hyun; and to support the request that Senator Langer introduce a private bill in the Senate to cancell these proceedings.

"11. A special resolution was presented by Leonard Ludel, condemning the Justice Department's attack on the American Committee and other foreign born defense committees throughout the country in an attempt to make register as 'Communist-front' organizations and so cripple the defense of the rights of the foreign born. Resolving to support the American Committee which is spearheading this fight for the rights of all Americans."

The summary proceedings conclude with its "Legislative Program of Action"

"1. Petition Campaign - begins on Cinco de Mayo, (May 6th), first milestone June 5th, and 10,000 signatures by the June 17th Festival of Nationalities. Numbered petitions. Goal 10 thousand signatures. Door to door circulation - tables before markets, etc. Posters for stores, meeting halls, etc.

"2. TV -- attempt to get time and a candidate who will speak on Walter-Mc Carran Repeal or Revision. Also get time to answer attacks of stoolpigeons.

"3. Letter writing campaigns -- individuals and organizations. Paper and envelopes for all meetings, time to be devoted for that purpose. House gatherings of neighbors and friends.

"4. Give every assistance requested to give legislative information to Trade Union Committee to facilitate organization of Repeal Committees in Trade Unions.

"5. Proposals re: Conventions of Republican and Democratic Parties.

"(a) Urge organizations that have lobbies in Sacramento to raise Repeal issue.
"(b) Cooperate with Northern California Committee P.F.B. in establishing independent Lobbies at Conventions.
"(c) Letters to be sent to Republican and Democratic Clubs to stimulate pre-convention discussion around issue.
"(d) Stimulate a city-wide mass action with Knight as featured speaker (relative to his position asserted in New York.) Calif

"6. Legislative Committee to contact organizations represented in panel who pledged cooperation to us, for use of:

"(a) Repeal Campaign buttons.
"(b) Stickers for windows and windshields.
"(c) Covering for key election districts with sound truck prior to primaries. Present issues and the stand of candidates.

"7. Delegations on all levels to visit candidates. House meetings on Repeal issue to which candidate is invited. Telephone Polls to neighbors to stimulate such gatherings.

"8. Local leaflets tieing up local case issues re: Walter-Mc Carran Act. Leaflets beamed to Trade Unionists, Negro Community, Jewish Community, Mexican, etc.

"9. Encourage broad types of actions local Repeal & Revision Committees, Mass Actions.

"10. Organize local meetings in name of L. A. Committee.

"11. Door to Door work with literature as well as leaflets and petitions. Grassroots lobbys to exert pressure on candidates for public statements.

"12. Brief analysis of Anfuso's Bill for distribution to organizations and individuals. Questionaires to all organizations, suggesting actions plus inquiry on position, and action taken or planned.

"13. Raise question of bringing issue of life-time Supervisory-parole to Hennings Committee on Civil Liberties.

"14. Demand that the Kilgore Committee findings and proceedings be made public knowledge.

"15. See five points for immediate Legislative action (Page 19, column 2, of 1956 JOURNAL).

B. Cinco de Mayo (CDM)

T-7 T-26 T-29 T-30

On May 11 and 18, 1956, informants furnished a printed handbill announcing a celebration of the CDM honoring BENITO JUAREZ to be held at Los Angeles on May 6, 1956, under the auspices of the LACPFB. This announcement stressed the deportation of Mexican nationals and the LACPFB's campaign to repeal the Walter-Mc Carran Act and "put an end to the deportation terror."

T-25

On May 7, 1956, informant furnished a mimeographed handbill announcing the CDM celebration to be held May 6, 1956, at Los Angeles under the auspices of the LACPFB.

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(supra)

On April 24, 1956, [redacted] furnished a typed press release of the Valley Committee to Aid Victims of the Walter-Mc Carran Act dated April 18, 1956. This announced a "Cinco de Mayo" celebration to be held at the Sons of Norway Hall, Van Nuys, California, on May 5, 1956. The stated purpose of the affair was to raise funds to "help the many individuals who are being persecuted under the Walter Mc Carran Act."

T-4

Informant advised on May 9, 1956, that the "Cinco de Mayo celebration" was held at the Ford Auditorium, Los Angeles, on May 6, 1956, and attended by about 200 persons. ROSE CHERNIN spoke on the repeal of the Walter-Mc Carran Act and JOSEPHINE YANEZ talked on the significance of "Cinco de Mayo."

C. Sixth Annual Festival of Nationalities

T-2 T-7

On June 7 and 8, 1956, informants furnished handbills announcing a Festival of Nationalities to be held at 11621 Budlong Avenue, Los Angeles, California, on June 17, 1956. This stressed its form as a picnic and its entertainment aspects and was similar to the previous handbill except for the deletion of PAUL ROBESON's name.

[redacted] T-7 T-28 b7D

(Supra)

On May 4, 8, and 16, 1956, informants furnished handbills featuring the appearance of PAUL ROBESON at the 6th Annual Festival of Nationalities.

T-7 T-6

On May 15, 1956, informants furnished a circular letter over the name of HARRY CARLISLE as Festival Coordinator, outlining their plans for the festival. It described the festival as their last mass demonstration before the 84th Congress adjourns and a tribute to PAUL ROBESON. It urged readers to help make an effective demand for issuance of a passport to him as well as containing the usual pitch for the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act.

T-6

On June 22, 1956, informant furnished program of the festival which reflected it was given over largely to picnic features and entertainment. However, petitions for repeal of the Walter Mc Carran Act were presented for signatures.

T-4

Informant attended the Sixth Annual Festival on June 17, 1956, and on June 20, 1956, advised it was sponsored by LACPFB and held at the Croatian Picnic Grounds, 11621 Budlong, Los Angeles, California. The attendance at the affair fell short of expectations. Informant stated that food was served with games, art and craft exhibits. In addition, literature of the LACPFB was displayed and sold.

T-7

On June 22, 1956, informant advised that the Festival of Nationalities was sponsored by the LACPFB and was held at the Croatian Picnic Grounds, 11621 Budlong Avenue, Los Angeles, on June 17, 1956. Approximately 3,000 attended.

T-17 (6/20/56)
T-36 (6/25/56)
T-21 (6/22/56)
T-37 (6/27/56)
T-16 (6/22/56)
T-38 (6/27/56)
T-39 (6/19/56)
T-35 (7/5/56)
T-10 (6/22/56)

Informants advised on the dates following their designations, that they attended the Sixth Annual Festival of Nationalities held on June 17, 1956, at Los Angeles. Each indicated the affair was largely social and none furnished information in addition to that reported above.

D. La Independencia Fiesta, September 16, 1956.

T-6

On August 14, 1956, informant furnished a letter dated August 17, 1956, from the LACPFB signed by JOSE GASTELLUM, Chairman pro-tem of the United Committee for the celebration of La Independencia which indicated that a meeting of that committee would take place on August 22, 1956, to plan the celebration.

T-2 T-6

On August 24, 1956, and September 5, 1956, informants furnished a press release under the name of the United Committee for the Celebration of La Independencia and dated August 24, 1956. This stated that ten organizations, including Mexican and Jewish groups had formed a United Committee to celebrate Mexican Independence Day with a festival on September 16, 1956, at the Croatian Cultural Center, Los Angeles. Organizations were urged to sell tickets as an "act of solidarity with the Mexican-American population" in Los Angeles.

T-2

On September 14, 1956, informant furnished a press release dated September 10, 1956, under name of the United Committee for La Independencia. This announced a fiesta to be held September 16, 1956, at Los Angeles. It related that the theme is "to cement the friendship between the people of the United States and Mexico and to put an end to second-class citizenship for Mexican-Americans."

E. Anfuso Discharge Petition

"Journal for 1956"
(Infra)

Page 17 of this journal contains the statement that "The center of the repeal campaign in the Capital is the Anfuso discharge petition. The Anfuso Bill advances the positive features of the Lehman-Celler Bill and establishes a statute of limitations of five years. Representative Anfuso in an answer to the L.A. Committee's query, indicates his petition to release this Bill from the House Judiciary Sub-Committee, headed by Walter, has not yet received the 218 necessary signatures."

"Summary Proceedings"
Sixth Annual Conference
(Infra)

CHERNIN, in her speech at the conference, stated the "center of the present repeal movement is the petition to discharge the House 'Anfuso' Bill, which in all important respects parallels the 'Lehman' Senate Bill to repeal the Walter-Mc Carran Law. Every Congressman must be placed on public record as signatory to the 'Anfuso' discharge petition."

T-4

On May 25, 1956, informant advised that LENNY LUDEL and others met on May 22, 1956, to discuss arrangements for a "mobilization drive" to get signatures on petitions for the Anfuso Bill. Plans were made to set up tables at five street intersections which would display LACPFB literature, to solicit signatures, and to have a sound truck make rounds of these tables on May 26 and June 2, 1956, playing PAUL ROBESON records.

On June 1, 1956, informant advised those plans did not materialize but signatures were collected and leaflets distributed on May 25 and 26, 1956, at two street intersections and on May 27, 1956, at a "Friendship Picnic" at the Fresno playground, Los Angeles.

T-1 T-7

On May 15, 1956, and June 28, 1956, informants supplied a petition addressed "To all Southern California Congressmen to sign the Discharge Petition on the Anfuso Bill, H.R. 501." This described H. R. 501 and urged that the Representatives sign "in the interest of fairness and our Democratic traditions."

T-6

On May 24, 1956, informant advised that a proposed letter to Congressmen dated May 21, 1956, for the signature of LEONARD LUDEL, Chairman, Legislative Committee, LACPFB, stated that "the committee is circulating a petition among your constituents so that you will realize the universal opposition to this law existent among the people". This letter continued with the statement that the LACPFB is a completely non-partisan organization and the Congressmen's presence or greetings at the conference entails no commitment beyond a stated opposition to this un-American law and the pledge to support and help to fulfill the Anfuso petition.

T-6

Informant advised on May 24, 1956, that a proposed letter to Honorable VICTOR ANFUSO, House Office Building, Washington, D. C., stated that "in response to your letter dated February 27, we are urging all Southern California Congressmen to sign Discharge Petition on H. R. 501. We are presently engaged in a drive to obtain ten thousand signatures." This letter invited ANFUSO to attend the LACPFB Festival of Nationalities and commended him on his efforts.

T-4 (7/23/56)

Informant furnished a mimeographed handbill which, under the caption "The Repeal Campaign News" states that arrangements had been made to present all petition signatures collected so far for the discharge of the Anfuso Bill to Southern California Congressmen in Washington, D. C. before the recess. It said the

signature gathering campaign had been neglected and an all-out campaign is called for for the weekend of July 7-8. It was said that signatures would be obtained by door to door canvassing in housing projects and by setting up tables on important street corners.

T-6

Informant furnished on July 30, 1956, a proposed letter to Honorable VICTOR ANFUSO, House Office Building, Washington, D. C., dated July 23, 1956, and on the stationery of the LACPFB. This letter reads "under separate cover we are sending you petitions bearing over 2,000 signatures obtained in Los Angeles in support of your Bill re: the Mc Carran-Walter Act. Recent statements by majority and minority leaders indicate possibilities for action before adjournment. We are informing all Southern California Congressmen that we have sent these petitions on to you and that there are more presently being signed by their constituents. We are also wiring above mentioned leaders in both houses demanding action before adjournment.

T-6

On July 30, 1956, informant furnished a mimeographed letter dated July 18, 1956, and addressed to "Dear Congressman" on the stationery of the LACPFB and over the signature of LEONARD LUDEL. This stated that petitions bearing the signatures "of your constituents in the Los Angeles area have been forwarded to Representative VICTOR ANFUSO. These petitions require your signature on a discharge petition re: Revision of the Walter-Mc Carran Act."

T-4

On August 16, 1956, informant furnished a handbill mimeographed on a Western Union telegraph blank stating that the telegram was sent to Senator MC CORMACK, Chairman of the Platform Committee, Democratic National Convention, Chicago, containing these words "Urge inclusion of repeal Mc Carran-Walter Act. This un-American law must be changed in the coming session of Congress." This was purportedly signed by LEONARD LUDEL as Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the LACPFB.

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VII. DEPORTEE ACTIVITIES

The LACPFB in its "Journal for 1956" states that it "through its Legal Panel Attorneys, is currently defending nearly 100 active cases either in administative hearings or in the federal courts." Named in the several articles as persons being or having been so defended are:

A. ANDERSON	DRUSCILLA ANDERSON
FRANK BONETTI	PEDRO BENITEZ
MARY BAUMERT	HARRY CARLISLE
JUSTO CRUZ	MARIA CRUZ
PHILIP CHERNER	THOMAS ESTRADA-SALAZAR
NINA FIRESTONE	EULOGIO DE LA CRUZ
PETER CHAUNT	ROSE CHERNIN
FRIEDA DIAMOND	DAVID DIAMOND
JOSE GASTELUM	WERNER GRONDAHL
EMMA GRONDAHL	SONIA GREENSPOON
AGAPITO GOMEZ	DAVID HYUN
RUBY HYNES	ALICK SMITH-HEDGE
MILO JOVETICH	JOHN JOHN
PAUL KOCHI	SARAH KARSON
JOHN KOBLER	CHARLES KATANJAN
DIAMOND KIMM	ADOLPH LARSEN
EMILIO LOPEZ	PETROS LEZOS
ANNA MARTINEZ	SHUJI MATSUI
ESTHER MAVROS	DOMINGO TRISTAN MARTINEZ
EDO MITO	J. NOREIGA
MICHAEL ORTIZ	JOSE OCON
DORA POLLAND	MORRIS POLLAND
RAOUL PEYRO	JOSE RAMIREZ
MIRIAM SIMONS	CHAIM SCHWARTZ
ETHEL SHAPIRO	JAMES E. TOBACK
ANGEL VASQUEZ-MARTINEZ	SARAH WACHER
ABRAHAM WACHER	K. YAMASHIRO

This journal names the following persons as "Deportees on Lifetime Supervisory Parole" (page 9 of journal)

KAREKIAN ANDEKIAN	MAX KRAMER
LARS AUGUST BERG - MINN	JOSEPH LUBEY
SABINA BERG	BEDROS MASOIAN - Ill
JOSEPH BOROS	BERTHA MICHELSON
JACK BORAJIAN	HARRY MENASIAN
FRANK CARLSON	AMELIA MENASIAN
NICHOLAS COMAR	JOSEPH MODOTTI

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Foreign For all names

Calif

MIKE DANIELS
ART DMYTRYK
AARON FEINBERG
FRED FIRESTONE
BLANCHE FRADKIN
DAVID FRADKIN
CELIA FOX
VARTIAN GALALIAN
SAMUEL GOLLAND
BERTHA GOLLOFF
ARON GROSBERG
MARTIN A. KAPLUNOFF
JENNIE SIMON
ROSE SPECTOR
KAMEO YAMAHIRO
ANNA ZIMBEROFF

ANNA NEGIN
DANIEL NESTOR
JACOB PEROWITZ
SAM RABKIN
ABE ROAST
LENA ROSEN
MORRIS RUBIN
RAYE RUBIN
WILLIAM SANDS
ESTHER SAZER
JENNIE SASLOVSKY
JACOB SHAFFER
FRANK SPECTOR
ALICE TUCKER
ARSEN YERGANIAN

Calif

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VIII GLOSSARY OF PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS MENTIONED IN THIS REPORT WITH COMMUNIST AFFILIATIONS

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KAREKIAN ANDEKIAN

[redacted] deceased

Informant advised in 1940 and again in 1951 that KAREKIAN ANDEKIAN joined the LACCP on January 29, 1935, under the party name of K. YANDIG. He was assigned to the Belvedere Section, LACCP, in 1937 and was its dues secretary in the late 1930's.

JACOB ASPIZ

T-40 (6/15/47)

In 1947 JACOB ASPIZ was a member of the CP at Los Angeles, California.

JERRY COSTAS ATHANS

T-40 (May, 1947)

JERRY C. ATHANS, an electrical engineer, was in 1946 a member of the Smolan Club of the CP at Los Angeles.

BENJAMIN BAYAJIAN

Records Immigration & Naturalization Service (INS) Los Angeles

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect that BENJAMIN BAYAJIAN, also known as JACK NICK BAYAJIAN, was arrested January 27, 1954 on a deportation warrant based on CP membership from 1937 to 1939.

MARY BAUMERT

Registrar of Voters
Los Angeles, California

These records reflect MARY BAUMERT changed her party preference on these records to "Communist" on May 18, 1936.

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T-40 (May, 1947)

Informant advised that MANYA BAUMERT, as of the Spring of 1947, had been a member of the CP for twenty years and was, at that time, a member of the 16th CD Section, LACCP.

PEDRO SATURNINO BENITEZ

Records, INS, Los Angeles, California (3/24/54)

These records reflected BENITEZ was apprehended on March 1, 1954 upon a deportation warrant. The basis of this proceeding was CP membership from 1936 to 1938.

LARS A. BERG

[redacted]

an admitted former member of the CP (3/25/52)

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BERG and his wife were members of the Warba, Minnesota, branch of the CP in 1936.

SABINA BERG

[redacted]

who has furnished reliable information in the past (12/12/50)

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SABINA BERG was, on December 12, 1950, a member at Warba, Minnesota, and Secretary of the Warba Branch in 1949.

FANIA BERNSTEIN

T-2 (6/20/49)

Informant advised that FANIA BERNSTEIN, in 1944, attended meetings of the 20th District Club, 19th Congressional District Section, LACCP. In July, 1948, informant advised FANIA BERNSTEIN was active in numerous pro-Communist and pro-Russian organizations.

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FRANK BONETTI

Foreign
Calif

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[redacted] advised in 1948 that FRANK BONETTI was a Unit Organizer, Downtown Sub-section, LACCP, during 1934, a member of the CP in 1935 and Unit Organizer, South Pacific Branch, LACCP, during 1937.

Records, INS, Los Angeles, California

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect FRANK BONETTI was a member of the Spanish CP during his service in the Spanish Civil War. He was a member of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade (VALB) from 1938 to 1944. During January, 1951, he professed continuation of his belief in the CP and its ultimate domination through mass education.

The VALB has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

JOSEPH BOROSS

T-41 (10/20/49)

Calif Foreign

Informant advised that JOSEPH BOROSS admitted to him that he had been a member of the CP since 1921.

MARVA BOVINGDON

T-42 (6/18/47) Calif

Informant advised that MARVA BOVINGDON was Literature Director of the Polk-Van Ness Branch, CP, San Francisco, California, and that she had been asked to organize a class on "Women and Their Relation To A Successful Third Party".

HARRY CARLISLE

H.C.

House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) Reports

ROY HUGGINS, motion picture writer and director, testified before a public session, HCUA, at Los Angeles on September 29, 1952, and identified HARRY CARLISLE as a member of the CP at Los Angeles in 1946-1947.

Calif Foreign

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FRANK CARLSON

Clerk of the U. S. District Court
Los Angeles, California

Foreign

The records of the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of California at Los Angeles, reflect FRANK CARLSON was convicted of violation of the Smith Act of 1940 on August 5, 1952.

PETER CHAUNT

Calif Foreign

CHAUNT admitted to Special Agents of the FBI on October 19, 1953 that he was a member of the CP from 1925 to 1948 or 1949.

ROSE CHERNIN KUSNITZ

T-44 (2/23/55)

Calif Foreign

Informant advised that ROSE CHERNIN KUSNITZ was a member of the West Jefferson Section, Moranda Smith Division, LACCP, as late as February 15, 1955.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY

Records, U. S. District
Court, Los Angeles, California

ROSE CHERNIN KUSNITZ was convicted for violation of the Smith Act in the U. S. District Court at Los Angeles, California, in August, 1952.

PHILLIP CHERNER

T-46 (December, 1942)

Calif

This informant advised that PHILLIP CHERNER was a member of the CP.

ELIZABETH CHESLEY

T-47 (8/16/54)

Informant advised that ELIZABETH CHESLEY was on the Executive Board of the Southern California Peace Crusade as of April, 1954.

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P. PRICE COBBS

T-45 (5/5/54)

Informant advised that P. PRICE COBBS was chairman of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council (HASP) as late as May, 1954.

NICHOLAS COMAR

Records, INS, Los Angeles, California

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect that a Final Order for Deportation, based on charges of being a former member of the CP, was issued on November 5, 1954 and that the INS is attempting to secure a travel document so NICHOLAS COMAR, also known as NICHOLAS KOMAR OLEKSYN, may be deported to the USSR.

BEN CRUZ

T-2 (5/15/48)

Informant advised that BEN CRUZ was then Educational Director of the Haywood Club, LACCP.

JUSTO CRUZ

Records, INS, Los Angeles, California (10/17/51)

These records reflected CRUZ admitted membership in the CP in 1936 at Santa Ana, California, and remained in the CP until 1939.

T-43

Informant advised he was a member of the Orange County CP from 1935 to 1940, California Marx Unit #1 in Santa Ana, and that JUSTO CRUZ was an active member of the CP during that period.

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MARIA CRUZ

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Deceased (supra) (4/13/48)

Informant advised that MARIA CRUZ was a member of Branch M-1, 13th Congressional District Section, LACCP, in 1938 and a member of the Workers Alliance in 1939.

RALPH CUARON

T-2 (8/8/55)

Informant advised that RALPH CUARON was a current member of the LACCP.

MIKE DANIELS

T-48 (5/17/47)

Informant advised that in 1947 DANIELS was transferred from Culinary Workers' Club, LACCP, to the LACCP at large.

Reverend CHARLES H. DAVIS

T-50 (9/30/53)

Informant advised that Reverend CHARLES DAVIS attended a conference sponsored by the CRC at Los Angeles on September 12, 1953.

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS

T-51 (3/3/53)

Informant advised that Reverend CHARLES H. DAVIS, Sr. was a sponsor of a committee of the Southern California Peace Crusade in February, 1953.

DAVID DIAMOND

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In 1943 informant advised that DAVID DIAMOND joined the CP in 1922 and in 1937 was leader of Unit B-1, Industrial Section, LACCP.

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T-54 (6/20/56)

Informant advised that DAVID and FREIDA DIAMOND attended a CP club meeting held June 13, 1956 at Los Angeles.

FREIDA DIAMOND

T-40 (5/17/47)

Informant advised that FREIDA DIAMOND was a member of the 19th CD, LACCP, in 1947 and had then been a member of the CP for twenty-seven years.

BERNARDO DIAZ

Records, INS, San Ysidro, California (6/8/55)

These records reflected that DIAZ had been excluded from re-entering the United States at San Ysidro on January 22, 1955 in that he had deserted the U. S. Army in 1946 and as a result was sentenced to three years in a Federal Penitentiary by a general court-martial.

T-49 (8/13/55)

Informant advised that the LACCP was interested in his case, then being investigated by INS.

MORTON DIMONDSTEIN

T-52 (12/24/54)

Informant advised that MORT DIMONDSTEIN was approved for readmittance into the LACCP as of September, 1954.

ARTHUR DMYTRYK, aka Jaroslaw ~~Dmytryk~~

[redacted]

Deceased (supra)

b7D

[redacted] advised in 1943 that ARTHUR DMYTRYK joined the CP on September 3, 1937 under the name of JOSEPH HAGGERTY and was assigned to the Youth Unit, Eastside Section, LACCP. He had been a member of the Young Communist League. In 1938 HAGGERTY was a member of the Steel Unit, Industrial Section, LACCP.

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SARAH DORNER

T-53 (3/19/54)

Informant advised SARAH DORNER attended an LACCP meeting at Los Angeles in March, 1954.

T-47 (7/19/54)

Informant advised that as of July, 1954 SARAH DORNER was a member of the Executive Board of the Southern California Peace Crusade.

Dr. W. E. B. DU BOIS

[redacted]

Former CP Functionary
(June, 1950)

b7D

[redacted] advised that W. E. B. DU BOIS, although on friendly terms with the CP for a number of years, did not actually join the CP until about 1944.

AARON FEINBERG

Records, INS, Los Angeles, California (8/18/53)

These records reflected that AARON FEINBERG stated, under oath, that he joined the CP at Los Angeles on March 14, 1930, and attended meetings in 1940. On February 12, 1942 he said he dropped out of the CP as "it became unlawful to be a member of the CP in America".

T-40 (5/17/47)

Informant advised that AARON FEINBERG was, in May, 1947, known to the LACCP as A. SMITH and was a member of the CP in 1947 as well as a charter member.

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FRED FIRESTONE

T-2 (8/8/55)

Informant advised that FRED FIRESTONE was a member of the CP at Los Angeles in 1949.

NINA FIRESTONE

Records, INS, Los Angeles

The records of INS, Los Angeles, in 1953 reflected NINA FIRESTONE stated in 1943 she was a member of the Young Communist League, New Haven, from 1924 to 1933; that the purpose of the Young Communist League was to help Russia and that the Young Communist League was nothing but a junior CP. She stated, in 1946, that she attended some CP meetings but did not believe she was a CP member.

CELIA GREENBERG FOX

[redacted] (supra) b7D

[redacted] advised in 1943 that CELIA FOX joined the CP in August, 1938, and subsequently served as Financial Secretary of a branch.

BLANCHE FRADKIN

Records, INS, Los Angeles

These records reflect BLANCHE FRADKIN was a member of the CP for about five years prior to her entry into the United States in 1923. In December, 1940 she admitted membership in the CP, USA, from 1933 or 1934 to 1938 and the International Labor Defense from 1935 to 1940.

The International Labor Defense has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

DAVID MEYERS FRADKIN

[redacted] (supra) b7D

DAVID MEYERS FRADKIN joined the CP in 1927, party name BEN SILVER, and was a member in 1937-1938 and 1939.

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Reverend STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN

California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities

The Fourth Report, Un-American Activities Committee in California, 1948, page 115, states that Rev. STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN is a very active "Communist fronter" and connected with numerous "Communist front organizations and activities".

VARTIAN GALALIAN b7D

[redacted] (supra)

[redacted] advised in 1950 that VARTIAN GALALIAN joined the CP in 1919 and, in 1938, was attached to the American Fraction, LACCP.

JOSE M. GASTELUM

[redacted] b7D

[redacted] member of CP in Los Angeles for the purpose of furnishing information to the FBI from January, 1947 to the time he testified in March, 1952 (6/28/48)

Informant advised that JOSE GASTELUM attended an annual section convention of the 13th CD, LACCP, on June 26, 1948. On March 21, 1950 informant advised GASTELUM attended a chairmen's and organizational secretaries' meeting on March 20, 1950 at Los Angeles at which he paid CP dues for the first quarter of 1950.

HOWARD GODDARD

T-2 (6/28/50)

Informant advised that as of June, 1950, HOWARD GODDARD was a member of the Sylvus Club, Lincoln Section, Haywood Division, LACCP.

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SAMUEL GOLLAND

"Daily People's World"
(DPW).(issue of 3/20/52)

The DPW reflects SAMUEL GOLLAND was arrested by INS, Los Angeles, for violation of the McCarran Act. The LACPFB publicly asked for loans to secure bail for GOLLAND and others. GOLLAND was described in this article as a member of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union (ILGWU).

The DPW is a West Coast Communist newspaper.

Records, INS, Los Angeles

On June 28, 1954 INS was endeavoring to secure travel documents so GOLLAND may be deported to Poland.

BERTHA GOLLOFF

[redacted] (supra) b7D

[redacted] advised in 1943 that BERTHA GOLOFF joined the CP in 1935 and in 1939 was assigned to the Industrial Section, LACCP.

SANFORD GOLDNER

T-28 (9/15/54)

Informant advised that SANFORD GOLDNER in February, 1955, was employed as director of the Jewish Information Service, 124 West Fourth Street, Los Angeles, California.

AGAPITO GARCIA GOMEZ

Records, INS, Los Angeles

These records, on August 20, 1952, reflected that GOMEZ was arrested on that date upon a deportation warrant charging him with having been a member of the CP.

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MORRIS GOODMAN

T-57 (

Informant identified MORRIS GOODMAN as a member of the LACCP in 1952.

ABNER GREEN

T-56

Informant advised that during 1949 ABNER GREEN was a member of the CP.

Dr. WILBUR Z. GORDON

T-55 (February, 1950)

Informant advised that WILBUR Z. GORDON was a member of a special medical group of the LACCP.

IRWIN GOSTIN

California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities

The Fifth Report, Un-American Activities in California, 1949, page 561, reflects that in 1946 GOSTIN was one of the East Bay Officers of the Los Angeles County American Youth for Democracy (AYD).

The AYD has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-81 (1/18/56)

Informant advised that IRWIN GOSTIN was maintained as a member of the Hollywood-Beverly Hills Chapter, National Lawyers Guild, as of January, 1956.

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MARVIN GRAYSON

T-59

Calif. N.Y.

Informant advised that GRAYSON was a member of the CP in New York prior to 1948 and during this time acted as Press Director, Educational Director, and Club Chairman.

Informant further advised that as of January 8, 1955 he was considered for a position on the Division Review Commission, 24th CD, LACCP.

SONIA GREENSPOON

T-60 (4/18/50)

Calif Foreign

Informant advised that SONIA GREENSPOON attended a meeting of the North Hollywood Lockheed Concentration Club, LACCP, on October 26, 1949.

EMMA GRONDAHL

[redacted] (supra) Calif Foreign b7D

[redacted] advised EMMA GRONDAHL joined the CP in 1936 and was thereafter transferred to the Centinela Valley Section, LACCP.

WERNER GRONDAHL

T-2 (5/4/51)

Calif Foreign

Informant advised that WERNER GRONDAHL was recruited into the LACCP on July 13, 1947.

AARON GROSSBERG

Records, INS, Los Angeles

Calif Foreign

These records, in 1953, reflected AARON GROSSBERG was a member of an organization that believes in, advocates and teaches overthrow by force and violence of the Government of the United States.

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MARTIN HALL

[redacted] advised in July, 1942 that MARTIN HALL had been active in Soviet espionage and had been a member of the CP in Europe prior to 1937. He said HALL had been attempting to organize Communists in San Francisco among German societies prior to 1942 and that he was instrumental in attempting to insert the CP influence into the "Volks Front", a German periodical published in Chicago, of which HALL was sub-editor.

ALEXANDER SMITH-HEDGE

Records, INS, Los Angeles (10/27/52)

These records reflected that SMITH-HEDGE voluntarily joined the CP of the United States at Vista, California about 1932 to 1934 and remained a member continuously thereafter for a period of about two years.

STANLEY HENDRICKSON

T-59 (6/27/56)

Informant advised that STANLEY HENDRICKSON was a former CP organizer in northwest Washington but was expelled for drinking and male superiority.

GITA HITTELMAN

T-61 (August, 1946)

Informant advised that one GITA SCHAFFER, Bronx, New York, signed a CP independent nominating petition for New York State in New York City in August, 1946.

Marriage License Division
Bureau of Vital Statistics
Los Angeles, California

GITA SCHAFFER was married to MAX HITTELMAN at Los Angeles on June 4, 1954.

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MAX HITTELMAN

T-62 (3/19/51) Calif

Informant identified MAX HITTELMAN as a CP member in 1951.

MIRIAM HORENIAN

Marriage Records
Book #3814, page 87
Hall of Records
Los Angeles, California

MIRIAM SHALIT and PAPKEN HORENIAN were married at Los Angeles on May 3, 1955.

[redacted] (Supra) b7D

(5/21/54)

Informant advised that MIRIAM SHALIT was employed in 1953 and 1954 as a regular office worker by the LACPFB.

T-45 (4/10/53)

Informant advised that in June, 1952 MIRIAM SHALIT was a volunteer worker at the HASP.

RUBY HYNES

[redacted] (supra)

(June, 1946) Calif Foreign

[redacted] advised that RUBY HYNES joined the CP in November, 1938, and was assigned to the 15th Assembly District (AD) Section, New Members Unit #1, LACCP. b7D

DAVID HYUN

[redacted] deceased, a CP member 1946-1949, who has furnished reliable information in the past (June, 1949) Calif Foreign

Informant advised that HYUN was then a functionary of the LACCP.

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SAKAE S. ISHIHARA

T-40 (May, 1947)

Calif

Informant advised that SAKAE ISHIHARA was recruited into the 19th CD, LACCP, during 1946.

GROVER JOHNSON

HCUA Reports

Calif

According to the Annual Report, HCUA, 1952, GROVER JOHNSON was identified in sworn testimony before the HCUA as having been a member of the CP at Los Angeles. JOHNSON himself appeared under subpoena before the Committee on October 1, 1952, but refused to affirm or deny membership in the CP.

MILO JOVETICH

Records, INS, Los Angeles
(4/15/54)

Calif Foreign

These records reflect that on April 15, 1954 JOVETICH was arrested as an alien upon a warrant charging membership in the CP subsequent to his entry into the United States. More specifically, he was charged with violation of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

JOHN K. JUHN

T-64 (5/26/49)

Calif

Informant advised that JOHN K. JUHN attended a CP leadership school of the West Jefferson Section, LACCP, on May 22, 1949.

MARTIN KAPLUNOFF

Records, INS, Los Angeles

Calif Foreign

These records, in 1952, reflect that in a hearing MARTIN KAPLUNOFF stated he joined the CP in about 1931 and was a member as of June, 1944. He further stated he fully believed in the principles of the CP and that he would join the masses representing the CP in attempting to overthrow the U. S. Government and that he had encouraged people to join the CP.

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SARAH KARSON

HCUA Reports

Mrs. EDITH MACIAS, in testimony before a public session of the HCUA at Los Angeles on March 28, 1953, testified SARAH KARSON was a CP member from 1943 to January, 1949, and that as BOBBIE KARSON was a member of a CP club on West 30th Street, Los Angeles, in 1948.

JOSEPH KENEGSBERG

[redacted] b7D

a member of the CP from 1931 to 1941 and 1948 to 1950, who has furnished reliable information in the past (4/3/50)

Informant advised that KENEGSBERG was Financial Secretary in the Hull Division, LACCP, as of March, 1950.

ROBERT W. KENNY

T-63 (2/18/54)

Informant advised that ROBERT W. KENNY had been recently elected president of the Beverly Hills Chapter, National Lawyers Guild.

DIAMOND KIMM

T-65 (8/19/49)

Informant advised that DIAMOND KIMM was a member of the CP at Los Angeles in 1949.

JOSEPH KLEIN

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According to the Annual Report of the HCUA for 1953, JOE KLEIN was identified in sworn testimony before the HCUA as having been a CP member at Los Angeles.

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JOHN KOBLER

[redacted] a former functionary of the CP in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, California, from 1935 to 1947 (2/18/55) b7D

[redacted] advised that JOHN KOBLER was a member of the San Bernardino Communist Club #3 in 1936 and 1937.

PAUL SHINSEI KOCHI

[redacted] (supra) b7D

[redacted] advised in 1943 that PAUL SHINSEI KOCHI, as S. IMAMURA, joined the CP in 1937 and was assigned to the Downtown Section, LACCP.

MAX KRAMER

Records, INS, Los Angeles

These records, in 1952, reflected MAX KRAMER indicated membership in the International Workers Order (IWO) and the ILGWU on his Alien Registration record.

The IWO has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

PAUL KUSNITZ

T-58 (8/3/56)

Informant advised that PAUL KUSNITZ continued in the position of Press Director for the Moranda Smith Division, LACCP, through July, 1956.

JOHN HOWARD LAWSON

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According to the Annual Report of the HCUA for 1952, JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, writer, was identified in sworn testimony before the HCUA as having been a member of the CP at Los Angeles. LAWSON himself appeared under subpoena on October 27, 1947 and refused to affirm or deny membership in the CP.

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ADOLPH KNUTE LARSON

[redacted] deceased, who furnished reliable information in the past and who was a former CP member from 1947 to early 1951, who cooperated with the FBI from March, 1953 through July, 1955 (9/16/53) b7D

Informant advised that ADOLPH LARSON was a member of the Roosevelt Club, LACCP, in March, 1947.

GEORGE LEE

[redacted] a former member of the CP who has testified in Federal Court (1/3/55) b7D

[redacted] advised that he believed LEE to be a member of the CP as LEE had attended a meeting called by the County Office of the LACCP in 1943.

IRMGARD LENEL

T-5 (June, 1954) (12/10/54)

Informant furnished the "Bulletin" published by Women for Legislative Action (WLA) and dated June, 1954. This reflected IRMGARD LENEL was corresponding secretary of the Evening Chapter of WLA.

IRMGARD LENEL was reflected as having paid a membership fee on June 19, 1954 to Everybody's Committee to Outlaw War (ECTOW).

ECTOW has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

"Daily People's World"

On page 8, column 5 of the issue dated October 9, 1956, an article states that IRMGARD LENEL, Unitarian Church, Santa Monica, was a signer of a petition to the President for amnesty to all those convicted of the Smith Act.

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HELENE LEVY

T-74 (4/25/56) Calif

Informant advised HELENE LEVY joined the CP in New York in 1946 and was a member until the fall of 1950, then receiving a leave of absence from the CP for health reasons. She applied for membership in the LACCP in early 1956 then stating she was still in sympathy with the aims and purposes of the CP.

PETROS LEZOS

T-8 (6/4/54)(8/4/54) Calif Foreign

Informant advised that PETROS LEZOS was present at a function of the CRC at Los Angeles on May 27, 1954 and on July 9, 1954 attended a function of the DPW.

T-35 (6/3/53)(10/1/53) DAILY PEOPLE'S WORLD

Informant advised that PETROS LEZOS was present at a function of the Political Prisoners' Welfare Committee (PPWC) at Los Angeles on April 18, 1954 and of the IWO on September 20, 1953. INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER

The PPWC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

EMILIO LOPEZ

[redacted] (supra) Calif Foreign b7D

Informant advised in 1943 that LOPEZ joined the CP on June 9, 1937 and was assigned to the Eastside Section, LACCP. He had CP book #80449 in 1937.

LEONARD LUDEL

T-57 (2/10/53)

Informant advised that LUDEL was made Educational Director of the Western Division, LACCP.

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JOSEPH LUBEJ

T-66 (1/3/42)

Informant advised that JOSEPH LUBEJ was a member of and Literature Director for the Downtown Unit, LACCP, in 1937.

HUGH MAC BETH, SR.

T-66 (10/18/56)

Informant advised that HUGH MAC BETH, SR. is a Negro attorney who was reportedly a member of the Professional Section, LACCP, in 1942. He has been connected with a number of Communist front organizations for years up to the present time.

PAUL MAJOR

T-68

Although PAUL MAJOR was not a member of the LACCP in about 1950, he was then in continuous contact with LACCP functionaries and was active in CP organizations in the Los Angeles area.

DOROTHY MARSHALL

[redacted] February 6, 1954, who has furnished reliable information to the FBI from June, 1951 to February, 1954, and who divulged his confidential relationship to the CRC and the CP in January, 1955 (5/21/53)

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Informant advised that DOROTHY MARSHALL was then chairman of the Planning Committee for the Conference of Inquiry into the activities of the Rosenberg case initiated by the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case (LACSJRC).

T-78 (5/12/54)

Informant advised that DOROTHY MARSHALL was chairman of a Southern California Peace Crusade dinner given May 8, 1954 at Los Angeles.

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T-27 (4/7/55)

Informant furnished a copy of the April, 1955 Bulletin of the WLA which named DOROTHY MARSHALL as its president.

BADROS PETER MASOIAN

Records, INS, Los Angeles

Calif Foreign

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect that at a hearing at Chicago, Illinois on February 16, 1933, BADROS PETER MASOIAN admitted having belonged to the CP for about two years.

DOMINGO TRISTAN MARTINEZ

Records, INS, Los Angeles(1/29/53) Calif Foreign

These records reflected that MARTINEZ was arrested that date on a deportation warrant charging CP membership from 1934 to 1939 inclusive.

MARIANNA MARTINEZ-CORDOVA

Records, INS, Los Angeles(6/9/54) Calif Foreign

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflected MARIANNA MARTINEZ-CORDOVA, aka ANNA MARTINEZ, was apprehended on that date on a deportation warrant, the basis of which was CP membership from 1936 to 1939.

SHUJI MATSUI

Records, INS, Los Angeles (August, 1951) Calif Foreign

These records reflected SHUJI MATSUI was formerly employed by SHUJI FUJI, editor of a Japanese newspaper "Doho", regarded as Communist. SHUJI MATSUI admitted Communist interests.

ESTHER MAVROS

T-2 (12/20/49) Calif Foreign

Informant advised that during the winter of 1949 ESTHER MAVROS was transferred from the Western Division, LACCP, to the Southeast Section, Southern Division, LACCP.

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ARNOLD DAVID MESCHES

T-52 (7/22/54)

Informant advised that in late 1952 or early 1953 A. MESCHES submitted for the Northern Division, LACCP, an evaluation of a CP member of that division.

BERTHA MICHELSON

Records, INS, Los Angeles
(2/16/54)

These records reflected that MICHELSON was arrested on that date upon a deportation warrant, the basis of which was membership in the CP from 1935 to 1940. On April 1, 1955 these records indicated final orders of deportation to the USSR had been rendered against her.

AMALIA MINASIAN

[redacted] (supra) b7D
(5/23/50)

[redacted] advised that AMALIA MINASIAN joined the CP January 30, 1937. The pamphlet "Two Decades of Progress", published by the LACCP in September, 1939, listed her name, among others, under the caption, "Greetings from the Armenian Branch".

HARRY MINASIAN

[redacted] (supra) b7D
(8/26/48)

[redacted] advised that HARRY MINASIAN joined the CP in 1936 and was a member of the Armenian Fraction, LACCP. In 1938 he was transferred to the Downtown Section, LACCP.

EDO MITA

[redacted] (supra) b7D

[redacted] advised in 1943 that EDO HEIHACHI MITA joined the CP in 1936 and was assigned to the Goodyear Section, LACCP.

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JOSEPH MODOTTI

T-67

JOSEPH MODOTTI was a member of the CP prior to 1943.

"Judge" STANLEY MOFFATT

T-69 (11/2/53)

Informant advised that MOFFATT was chairman of the American Russian Institute (ARI) in Southern California.

The ARI has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-45 (3/11/54)

Informant advised that STANLEY MOFFATT was then considered a paid up member of the HASP.

ELSA PETERS MORSE

T-70 (5/5/50)

Informant advised that ELSA PETERS MORSE was reported as being a secret member of the CP and that an "inner-circle meeting" of CP intellectuals was to be held at her home on July 4, 1950.

EDWARD OLAF MURK

T-2 (12/20/51)

Informant advised that EDWARD OLAF MURK was a member of the United Labor Action Committee (ULAC) in 1951.

The ULAC in Los Angeles was principally a paper organization originally organized in August, 1950, to coordinate the efforts of "left led" unions and unions expelled from the CIO. The action taken by the ULAC generally followed the CP line but was usually by individuals who spoke in the name of the ULAC, and these in most cases were present or past members of the CP.

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ANNA NEGRIN

Records, INS, Los Angeles

These records reflected ANNA NEGRIN was arrested on July 22, 1953 on a deportation warrant based on CP membership in 1937-1938.

DAVID NESTOR

T-2 (12/11/45)
(4/19/46)
(2/3/50)

Informant advised that DAVID NESTOR was a member of the LACCP in 1945, 1946, and 1950.

JOSE MADRIGAL NORIEGA

Records, INS, Los Angeles (2/5/54)

These records disclosed that NORIEGA was arrested on February 4, 1954 on a deportation warrant charging him with CP membership in 1935, 1936, and 1943.

JOSE OCON

T-3 (4/2/52)

Informant advised that JOSE OCON was a member of the LACCP in 1952.

MICHAEL ORTIZ

T-40 (May, 1947)

Informant advised that MICHAEL ORTIZ was a member of the LACCP for two years.

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JOHN HENRY OWENS, SR.

[redacted] (supra) (5/20/48) b7D

Informant advised that [redacted] on November 10, 1929, OWENS stated he became a member of the CP at Chicago, Illinois in about 1919 and ceased to be a member in 1920.

T-80 (5/14/53) (1/5/54)

Informant advised that OWENS attended CP meetings in Los Angeles on May 3, 1953 and December 6, 1953.

GRACE PARTRIDGE

[redacted] (supra) b7D

Informant advised in 1943 that PARTRIDGE was once a member of the CP at Riverside, California.

JACOB PEROWITZ

Records, INS, Los Angeles

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect JACOB PEROWITZ joined the CP in 1937 as JACK PEARL and was assigned to the 52nd AD Branch, LACCP.

RAOUL PEYRO

Records, INS, Los Angeles

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect that a deportation warrant was served on RAOUL PEYRO. The warrant was obtained on the basis of CP membership in the 1930's.

MAE PIERCE

T-82 (11/4/46)

Informant advised that in October, 1946 MAE PIERCE was a member of the Astoria Section, CP.

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T-18 (8/1/51)

Informant advised that MAE PIERCE, in 1951, was interested in becoming active with the LACCP.

MORRIS POLLAND

T-71 (3/26/48) M. POLLAND Foreign

Informant advised that MORRIS POLLAND was affiliated with the People's Educational Center, Los Angeles, California, during 1943-1944.

The People's Educational Center has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

SCHMUEL RABKIN

Records, INS, Los Angeles (5/14/52) Calif Foreign

These records reflected SCHMUEL RABKIN, aka SAM RABKIN, was arrested on that date upon a deportation warrant charging him with CP membership after arriving in the United States. These records further reflected RABKIN admitted on his alien registration record CP membership years ago.

JOSE RAMIREZ

[redacted] (supra) Calif Foreign b7D

JOSE RAMIREZ was a member of the CP at Los Angeles in 1938.

BERTHA REYNOLDS

[redacted] former CP functionary (6/29/50) no loc b7D

[redacted] advised that in the late 1930's BERTHA REYNOLDS was a Communist and active up until 1945 in endeavoring to extend Communist influence in the field of social work.

Calif

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ABRAHAM ROAST

Records, INS, Los Angeles

These records reflect that on November 14, 1951 ABRAHAM ROAST stated under oath that he was a member of the CP at St. Paul, Minnesota, for four years prior to 1938 or 1939.

PAUL ROBESON

[redacted] a former CP functionary

b7D

[redacted] advised after his defection from the CP that in the 1930's PAUL ROBESON served as a confidential courier for the CP in the Caribbean area. Upon his return to the United States from concert tours, he would report to the CP. ROBESON was in frequent contact during this period in secret conference with CP functionaries WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, JACK STACHEL, and J. PETERS.

LENA ROSEN

T-66 (8/9/41)

Informant advised that LENA ROSEN was a member of the Bay Cities Section, LACCP, in 1938.

AARON ROTHBLATT

T-40 (May, 1947)

Informant advised that as of January, 1947 AARON ROTHBLATT was a member of the Hank Forbes Club, LACCP.

MORRIS RUBIN

T-2 (12/21/51)

Informant advised that MORRIS RUBIN was a member of the CP in 1951.

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RAYE RUBIN

T-72 (4/1/55)

Informant advised that RAYE RUBIN was, in 1952-1953, a member of the CRC.

The CRC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

THOMAS ESTRADA-SALAZAR

Records, INS, Los Angeles (8/11/54)

These records reflected a final order for deportation, based on subversive charges, was issued and on August 11, 1954 a Mexican travel document was received authorizing the deportation of SALAZAR to Mexico.

WILLIAM SANDS

[redacted] (supra)

b7D

Informant advised that WILLIAM SANDS was a CP member at Los Angeles in 1938.

ESTHER M. SAZER

T-40 (May, 1947) E. SAZER

Informant advised that ESTHER SAZER was a member of the Carver Club, Midtown Section, LACCP, in 1947.

JENNIE SASLOVSKY

Records, INS, Los Angeles (7/16/54)

These records reflected SASLOVSKY was found to be a deportable alien on April 6, 1953 as she was a CP member around 1935-1936.

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HYMAN SCHWARTZ

[redacted] (supra)

b7D

CHAIM SCHWARTZ, aka HYMAN R. SCHWARTZ was, in 1938, a member of the Industrial Section, Unit BT #1 of the LACCP. He joined the CP in 1928.

T-73 (12/4/50)

Informant advised that one HYMAN SCHWARTZ was, in 1943 and 1944, a member of the 15th CD Section, LACCP.

Dr. MAX SCHOEN

HCUA Reports

According to the annual report of the HCUA for 1952, MAX SCHOEN, dentist, was identified in sworn testimony before the HCUA as having been a member of the CP at Los Angeles. SCHOEN himself appeared under subpoena on September 21, 1951, and refused to affirm or deny CP membership.

JACOB SHAFFER

Records, INS, Los Angeles

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect that at a hearing at San Antonio, Texas, on April 16, 1933, JACOB SHAFFER testified that he was a member of the CP from 1923 or 1924 to 1928.

T-40 (May, 1947)

Informant advised that JACK SHAFFER was a member of the LACCP in 1946.

ESTHER SHANDLER

HCUA Reports

According to the Annual Report of the HCUA for 1952, ESTHER SHANDLER, attorney, was identified in sworn testimony before the HCUA as having been a member of the CP at Los Angeles. SHANDLER herself appeared under subpoena on September 30, 1952 and refused to affirm or deny CP membership.

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ETHEL SHAPIRO

T-79 (4/19/54)

Informant advised that ETHEL SHAPIRO became a member of the Young Communist League (YCL) in 1924 or 1925 in Chicago, Illinois, where she was also active as an organizational secretary and section organizer. She was a paid functionary until 1945, and was a CP member at Los Angeles from 1950 to June, 1951.

The YCL has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

JENNIE SIMON

Records, INS, Los Angeles

These records reflect JENNIE SIMON, nee JENNIE GLUCHOWSKI, was arrested on July 22, 1952, under the deportation warrant charging Communist activities after entry into this country in February, 1917. JENNIE SIMON had been assigned to an Eastside Club of the LACCP.

FRANK SPECTOR

Clerk of the U. S. District Court, Los Angeles

FRANK SPECTOR was convicted of violation of the Smith Act in the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of California at Los Angeles on May 5, 1952.

ROSE SPECTOR

T-2 (11/1/50)

Informant advised that ROSE SPECTOR was a member of the Needle Trades Club, LACCP, and was transferred into the Johnson Club, Willowbrook, California.

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HENRY STEINBERG

Records, U. S. District Court, Los Angeles, California

HENRY STEINBERG was convicted for violation of the Smith Act in the U. S. District Court at Los Angeles, California, in August, 1952.

ARTHUR SUMI TAKEI

T-52 (8/12/54)

Informant advised that the name ARTHUR TAKEI was maintained by the offices of the LACCP during 1954. Informant did not know the significance of this information.

MAURICIO TERRAZAS, JR.

T-2 (1/15/51)

Informant advised that MAURICIO TERRAZAS, a member of the LACCP, served on the Mexican Commission of the LACCP in 1951.

SAM TITLE

Records, U. S. District Court, Los Angeles, California

Judgment was entered on July 12, 1955 denaturalizing SAM TITLE. The basis of the petition to revoke an order admitting TITLE to citizenship was the concealment of CP membership at the time of naturalization.

JAMES ERNEST TOBACK

Records, INS, Los Angeles (12/27/55)

These records indicated a complaint was filed against TOBACK to revoke and set aside the order admitting him to citizenship and cancel his Certificate of Naturalization due to concealment of the fact he was a member of the CP prior to his application for citizenship.

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E.P.

EDWARD PARKER ~~TOTTEN~~

T-45 (2/27/55) (11/18/54)

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Calif

Informant advised that EDWARD PARKER TOTTEN was a member of the HASP in 1953-1954.

HOLLYWOOD ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

[redacted] (supra)

(5/8/50)

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[redacted] advised that he knows EDWARD PARKER TOTTEN as a Communist either because he personally met him at a closed Communist meeting, his meeting with him was such that he knew him to be a Communist, or he knows him to be a Communist because of a report by some CP official who described him as a Communist.

ALICE ~~TUCKER~~

Records, INS, Los Angeles (7/7/54)

Calif Foreign

These records indicated that TUCKER is subject to deportation on the ground that she has been, after entry into the United States, a member of the CP. She was ordered deported May 27, 1953 but the USSR refused permission for her to return there, and was then ~~placed~~ under supervised parole.

DALTON TRUMBO

HCUA Records

DAVID LANG, screen writer, Los Angeles, testified before a public session of the HCUA in Los Angeles, California, on March 24, 1953, that he was a CP member from the latter part of 1942 or early 1943 to the end of 1946. During the course of his testimony he identified DALTON ~~TRUMBO~~ as a leader of the Writers Clinic in Hollywood which was composed only of CP members. LANG further testified that TRUMBO acted as chairman for a CP group of writers of which LANG was a member.

JOHN ~~UHRIN~~

T-75 (9/23/49)

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Informant advised that JOHN UHRIN was a member of the LACCP as of September, 1949.

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RITO G. VALENCIA

T-2 (2/17/50)

Informant advised that although RITO VALENCIA was not a member of the CP, he was sympathetic to its cause. On June 23, 1954 informant advised that the LACCP thought favorably of VALENCIA.

A. WACHER

T-40 (May, 1947)

Informant advised that ABE WACHER was transferred from the Venice Club, LACCP, to the Foster Club, 19th CD Section, LACCP, in 1947.

SARAH WACHER

T-76 (8/8/54)

Informant advised that SARAH WACHER, a long-time member of the LACCP, was being considered for special assignment by the LACCP.

FRANK WILKENSON

T-77 (6/3/53)

Informant advised that FRANK WILKENSON was a member of the LACCP in 1951 and 1952.

KAMEO YAMASHIRO

Records, INS, Los Angeles

The records of INS, Los Angeles, reflect KAMEO YAMASHIRO was arrested in December, 1954 for deportation on the basis of CP membership in the 1930's and until 1944.

CONE CROSS YOUNG

T-40 (May, 1947)

Informant advised that CONE YOUNG was a member of the LACCP and had been a member for approximately five years.

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JOSEFINA YANEZ

T-2 (6/23/54)

Informant advised that JOSEFINA YANEZ, also known as JOSEPHINE YANEZ VAN LEUVAN, was a member of the CP in 1950.

ARSEN YERGANIAN

[redacted] (supra)(June, 1943) b7D

[redacted] advised that ARSEN YERGANIAN joined the CP in 1936 and was assigned to the Downtown Section, New Members Unit, LACCP, as ARSEN YUGIAN.

ANNA ZIMBEROFF

Records, INS, Los Angeles

The files of INS, Los Angeles, reflect ANNA ZIMBEROFF joined the CP in 1929 and was a member of the LACCP in 1939.

HOLLYWOOD ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS COUNCIL (HASP)

T-45 (1/4/56)

Until January 3, 1956 the HASP was the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions (NCASP) in New York City and consistently followed the program and policies of the parent organization. On January 3, 1956 the HASP officially dissolved by action of its executive committee and vote of its membership.

The NCASP has been cited as a "Communist front" by the U. S. Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities in House Report No.1954 dated April 26, 1950.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PEACE CRUSADE (SCPC)

T-2 (8/7/56)

Informant advised that until about October 1, 1955 the SCPC was the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Peace Crusade (APC). Following the dissolution of the APC in September, 1955, the SCPC

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continued operations under the same name and leadership. The SCPC was, during its existence, completely dominated and controlled by the LACCP through the assignment of VICKI LANDISH PROMKIN, a functionary of the LACCP to the SCPC as its Executive Director. The SCPC was dissolved in July, 1956.

The APC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)

T-45 (5/15/56)

Informant advised that in October, 1955 a functionary of the California Legislative Conference (CLC) told the informant that the CLC supplies the WLA with all the information they use regarding impending legislation which the WLA is working for or against. As of May, 1956, WLA was still receiving this data from CLC for which it pays CLC $35.00 monthly. The WLA was organized in Los Angeles approximately five years ago, and its activities are limited to the Los Angeles area.

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE(CLC)

T-45 (7/5/56)

Informant advised that the CLC was formed during approximately 1947 and that as of July, 1956 continues in its activity.

T-20 (12/2/55)

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Informant made available information concerning certain plans and policies of the LACCP. According to this information HARRY DANIELS was the person designated by the CP to handle its interest in the CLC.

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T-2 (1/6/56)

Informant advised that HARRY DANIELS was, at that time, a full-time paid functionary of the LACCP but was unable to further describe the duties of DANIELS in the CP.

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LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL (LACSJMS), aka Los Angeles Sobell Committee, Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case (LACSJRC), Los Angeles Rosenberg-Sobell Committee (LAR-SC), National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case

T-2 (5/22/56)

This informant has advised that the LACSJMS, which was formerly known as the LACSJRC and also referred to as the LAR-SC, adopted its present name (LACSJMS) about August, 1954. The avowed purpose of this Committee is to have MORTON SOBELL transferred from the Federal prison on Alcatraz Island and to secure for him a new trial and eventually his complete release.

Both the LACSJRC and the LACSJMS were, from their inception, dominated and controlled by the LACCP through the assignment of CP members to work on the Committees and to direct the activities of the Committees.

In March, 1955 critical discussion by CP members was that the LACSJMS should be reactiviated and revitalized in a more aggressive way than it had been in the past and that its activities should be expanded in terms of according maximum mobilization of forces to insure attainment of its objectives.

According to the informant, there is an active youth committee known as the "Youth Committee for Morton Sobell" or slight variations thereof which is sponsored by the parent committee and staff and supported by forces from the Labor Youth League (LYL), which is also working on the Sobell issue.

The LYL has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF)

[T-2 (5/22/56)]

Informant advised that the CCPAF was organized in Los Angeles, California in January, 1952 for the announced purpose of

supporting a number of individuals from the medical and legal professions who had been subpoenaed to appear before the HCUA.

Since its establishment the CCPAF, in extending its scope, has worked for the abolition of all Congressional, State and local committees investigating subversive activities, and in the latter part of 1954 became very active in opposition to State and Federal legislation directed at the Communist movement.

FRANK WILKINSON, the Executive Secretary of the CCPAF, is described by the informant as the "brains and energy" behind the organization.

The CCPAF is not a membership organization. It is an Executive Board with a large mailing list which builds up support behind particular issues rather than behind an organizational program.

UNITED MAY DAY COMMITTEE

T-2 (5/22/56)

Informant advised that the May Day celebration in Los Angeles, California in recent years has been handled by a special committee known as the May Day Committee, United May Day Committee, or variations thereof. CP members are assigned to work on the committee by the CP to assure the success of the May Day celebration.

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, Report on the National Lawyers Guild, House Report No. 3123, September 21, 1950 (NLG)

The NLG is cited as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the CP, its front organizations, and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the CP and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents".

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Two photostatic copies of each of the listed items are enclosed for the Bureau and one copy each for New York.

Enclosures to Bureau:and New York:

"Torchlight" dated March 1956; March-April, 1956; April-May, 1956; June 1956; July 1956; August 1956.

Press Releases: March 8, 1956; March 14, 1956; March 28, 1956; March 30, 1956; April 17, 1956; April 19, 1956; April 19, 1956; April 25, 1956; May 21, 1956; May 22, 1956; Undated; Undated; August 4, 1956; August 30, 1956; September 7,1956

Festival of Natinnalities Handbill
Song sheet with foreign language texts.
Handbill re MARION MILLER.
Handbill "A Call and Program"
Letter dated March 9, 1956, to unions.
Letter dated March 13, 1956, to Assemblymen
Handbill directed to unions.
"Summary Proceedings"
"Kit" containing pamphlets and handbills:
"Journal for 1956"
"Citizens Without Rights"
"Exile, the Story of DAVID HYUN"
"How Would You Feel"
"SOS"
"Conference Program"
"Legislative Action Proposal"
"Citizens Without Rights" handbill
"Know Your Rights"
Song sheet
List of sponsors
Report on Legislative Action
Legislative Letter

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One copy of this report is being directed to the San Diego and San Francisco Offices in view of the activity in those areas mentioned herein.

[redacted] deceased, was [redacted] and was formerly designated as [redacted] b7D

PETER CHAUNT admitted CP membership to SAs LOUIS D. DOMATO and LOUIS K. DE GEUS on October 19, 1953.

Publications mentioned in this report and not included in the list of enclosures have been forwarded previously to the Bureau.

LEADS

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California

Will report further activities of the LACPFB.

Will determine the identity and background of persons supported or defended by the LACPFB in immigration matters.

INFORMANTS

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized in this report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

Identity	Date of Activity and/or Description	Agent	Location
T-1 [redacted]	Organization of LACPFB, 7/16/56		100-1783-5410 Oral b3 b7D
	CP affiliation 3/28/56		[redacted] Written b7E
	CP affiliation 4/23/56		[redacted] written

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Identity	Date of Activity and/or Description	Agent	Location
T-1 [redacted]	CP affiliation 5/9/56		[redacted] written
	June 1956 "Torchlight"		100-1783-D-1431 Original
	Petition		100-1783-D-1454 Original
T-2 [redacted]	9/7/55		100-1783D-1555 Original
	March 1956 "Torchlight"		100-1783D-1321 Original
	March April 1956 "Torchlight"		100-1783D-1347 Original
	April May 1956 "Torchlight"		100-1783D-1391 Original
	June 1956, "Torchlight"		100-1783D-1436 Original
	July 1956, "Torchlight"		100-1783D-1481 Original
	August 1956, "Torchlight"		100-1783D-1546 Original
	Press Release, 3/8/56		100-1783D-1358 Original
	Press Release, 4/19/56		100-1783-1A-1484, Orig.
	Press Release, 4/25/56		100-1783D-1399 Original
	Press Release, 5/21/56		100-1783D-1447 Original
	Press Release, 5/22/56		100-1783D-1427 Original
	Press Release, 8/30/56		100-1783D-1545 Original

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